

No BART service for New Year's Eve celebrants

Oakland — New Year's Eve revelers who've planned on letting the Bay Area Rapid Transit District shuttle them through the morass of potentially lethal holiday traffic are out of luck.

While BART has been funding its extended evening service since Thanksgiving and was granted \$1.6 million to operate late night service through the first six months of 1976, a quirk in the law prohibits the two services from being continuous.

Hence the district will revert to its traditional 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. schedule on New Year's Eve.

The last valley express bus from BART's Hayward station will leave at 9 p.m.

Legislation passed in 1974 that tacked on a half-cent additional sales tax in the three BART counties prohibited the district from accepting federal funds to underwrite operating costs. Any federal money used to finance BART's operational expenses would have been deducted

from the half-cent sales tax revenue.

A bill passed in late September, however, authorized the district to apply for federal funding "for the specific purpose of extending to regular night service."

To qualify as "extended" service, the hours of operation must increase from the night before.

The Bay Area's Metropolitan Transportation Commission authorized the \$1.6 million grant the following month. More than half the funds are from a federal grant, while

the remainder is from a quarter-cent of the state's six percent sales tax.

That quarter-cent levy is held for Bay Area counties by the MTC and is released by the state only with the commission's authorization.

Extended night service from January to June 30, 1976, is expected to cost \$2.3 million. The balance will be made up through fare revenue.

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Weather

Mostly fair in the valley with variable clouds through Monday but with late night and morning fog or low cloudiness. A little warmer days. Lows in the mid 30s to mid 40s. Highs in mid 50s to lower 60s. Light winds.

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Blackhawk continues into '76

By John Vanlandingham
Leshner News Bureau

Unresolved disputes focusing on the Blackhawk Ranch will ensure that controversial development's prominence on the 1976 county planning scene.

The 4,600-acre project, which has been in the planning bureaucracy since mid-1974, dominated much of the 1975 planning activity.

A possible referendum, pending litigation and appeals along with the possible incorporation of the San Ramon Valley figure to delay Blackhawk's groundbreaking late into 1976 if at all.

Opponents of the proposed development forced it through a lengthy series of environmental and rezoning hearings and then filed a suit in Superior Court claiming it violated the county general plan and environmental statutes.

A trial before Superior Court Judge Norman Gregg in Martinez ended with a victory for the developers, although the opponents are appealing.

But the development's most crucial test is yet to come, a possible countywide vote on whether it should be annexed to water and sewer districts.

That annexation was approved at all stages of the county only to be stalled by a referendum petition filed by Friends of Mt. Diablo, calling for the Board of Supervisors to reconsider the annexation approval or put it to a vote.

The board refused to do either, forcing the issue to yet another court test which to date is unresolved.

Blackhawk's developers claim they can form their own assessment district and develop the necessary water and sewer services, but other observers believe it would drive the costs of the homes up even further.

And the third portion of the triple-whammy will be resolved in January when the Local Agency Formation Commission considers three incorporation proposals.

The largest, covering the entire San Ramon Valley, would include Blackhawk. However, a proposal finding favor with the majority of the commissioners would scale that application down and eliminate Blackhawk.

A final decision whether to exclude Blackhawk from any incorporation attempts will be made in either January or February.



Don Williams points out features on scale model of Dolan site school.

Valley wagon needs fuel for Bicentennial journey

Funds and/or pledges are needed in the next couple of days if the valley is to be represented in the historic Bicentennial Wagon Train cross country trek starting Friday, Jan. 2, 1976.

Harold Gabriel and his wife, Ruth, of Livermore, have been ready to take their historic, old farm wagon cross country for several months but need funds to cover such expenses as trans-

porting the four-horse team, shoeing the horses, paying any necessary vets bills, gas and oil for their pickup and trailer, plus other minimal living expenses.

Persons wishing to make a pledge or send a check should call Burke Critchfield's office (447-7020) in Livermore or send a check made out to "Gabriels' Fund," P.O. Box 623, Livermore, Calif.

An account has been

opened at the Valley Bank for funds with all going to underwrite necessary expenses the Gabriels incur on the six months trek from Pomona, California, to Valley Forge, Pa.

The Gabriels will leave Dec. 30 to take their four-horse team to Pasadena where they will drive the wagon train in the famed Tournament of Roses parade on Thursday, Jan. 1. The wagon has been stored at a location near Pomona.

The Bicentennial Wagon Train, including wagons representing California, Hawaii and Pennsylvania and a chuck wagon, will start the arduous trek on the 2nd, joining up with wagons from other states along the way to Valley Forge.

On May 7, 1976, the western train will meet with a northern train at St. Joseph's, Missouri.

Gabriel is not certain if his wagon will be designated the "California wagon" or given some other designation.

He plans to take numerous pictures of the eastward journey so as to show to valley groups when he returns next summer.

Critchfield is administering the fund to help pay some of the expenses.

1976
1975

Will a new surge of "people services" bankrupt the taxpayer home owner?

Why does City Hall maintain a large planning staff ... when there's very little left to plan?

Is the "fundamental school" push the beginning of the end for public education as we know it?

1975 has been an interesting year. 1976 promises to be a whopper! Read about "The Valley — 1975 and 1976" in a hard-hitting series starting with Tuesday's Times.

Dolan site

Murray seeks bond funds

DUBLIN — Superintendent Donald Williams and Murray school board members are not about to settle for a paraphrase that goes, "Half a school is better than none!" But that situation is possi-

ble if Murray \$1 million bond issue on the March 2 ballot is not passed by a two-thirds majority.

The site work on a new seventh-eighth grade school has been completed and the State

has approved one building for this new school to be located on the Dolan site in Silvergate.

A successful bond election will permit the completion of this new school — with a second building.

"There is no question that additional space is needed," contends Williams. "Twenty-six temporary buildings are now in use. Bond funds may be used for capital expenditures and can in no way be used for salaries or operating costs. The new school will, however, mean lower operating costs because rental of some temporary buildings and high maintenance costs of others will be eliminated."

It is expected, according to a Murray information pamphlet, that about half the authorization (\$1 million) will be used to complete the second building of the school. This would raise the tax rate about 10 cents, which would be offset by the redemption of older bonds; so the taxes would not be increased significantly.

District business manager Phillip Chubb estimates that the gross additional cost to the owner of a \$30,000 market value home would be \$7.50. It would be \$10 and \$12.50 for \$40,000 and \$50,000 market value homes, respectively.

But if the two-thirds major-

ity is not reached, the district may be left with some beautiful plans, a cleared-away site and the funds to construct just one building.

The alternative, then, could be to relocate temporary buildings onto the site. As matters stand, students now attending other district schools would be transferred to the Dolan site school upon completion in early 1977.

However, such a "combo" building plan of one permanent building and a host of portables would not provide the right kind of facilities for home arts, industrial education, science or music.

Of 28½ acres, 18 must be usable, by State mandate, at the Dolan site. The former figure is necessary due to grade on some areas of the site.

— by Al Fischer

Livermore recesses

LIVERMORE — The city council will not hold its regular Monday night meeting tomorrow, it being the fifth Monday of the month and in the midst of the holiday season. The next regularly scheduled meeting is for 8 p.m. Jan. 5.

Pleasanton council to gather Tuesday

PLEASANTON — The city council won't wait until the new year to try something new — it has scheduled a meeting at 5 p.m. Tuesday, a departure from its regular Monday meeting schedule.

The agenda will be a light one, with a report due on the Alameda County solid waste management plan, proposed adoption of a water connection fee, and recommended routine denials of a couple of claims against the city.

The city staff is recommending that the council endorse the current form of the county's proposed solid waste management study. A key phrase recommended by the city council, which would

prohibit quarries from serving as waste disposal sites, has been adopted by the county to the satisfaction of the city staff.

The proposed water connection fee had its first reading at the last meeting and passed 3-2 with council members William Herlihy and Robert Philcox dissenting. The ordinance would require property owners who demolish their homes to pay any difference between the connection fee the unit paid when it was first built and the fee it would be charged when it is rebuilt.

The claims filed against the city both involve traffic accidents. William Kwaizer claims he lost control of his motorcycle on Foothill Road when he hit a cavity near the road shoulder which was six inches deep. The cavity supposedly resulted from improper paving by the city.

Lyle Herlitz is suing the city for \$20,000 because he was struck by an automobile at Kottinger Avenue and First Street partly as the result of an allegedly defective street light. City Attorney Ken Scheidt recommends denial of both claims.

Meet cancelled

OAKLAND — The Alameda County Board of Supervisors will not hold its regular Tuesday meeting this week because of the holidays.

They will next meet at 9 a.m., Jan. 6, in their fifth floor chambers at the county's administration building, 1221 Oak St., Oakland.



Gift wrapping

Gail Monks of Livermore checks the big red stocking handed to her by Valley Memorial Hospital nurse Diane Rogers and discovers...a newborn baby! In fact, it's little Amy Noelle Monks, tucked into a stocking provided by the VMH Auxiliary. All babies being born at the Livermore hospital over the holidays are being sent home in the cuddly red wrappers as a festive touch to the blessed event. (Times photo)

Anti-ridgeland study forces form battle lines

Local ranchers are getting together to try to stop a \$90,000 three-county ridgeland study.

A contingent from the Valley will be at the Jan. 6 Alameda County Board of Supervisors meeting to try to prevent the board from voting \$15,000 for its share in the study. Also in on the study are U.S. Bureau of Outdoor Recreation, which will act as coordinator; the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG); East Bay Regional Park District of Alameda and Contra Costa Counties, all kicking in a \$15,000 share in cash or staff effort.

Santa Clara County was included in the original plan. But, according to local observers, the Board of Supervisors there won't vote for it because they just completed a Diablo Range zoning study last year and don't want to become involved in a second study.

"We've been studied to death," is the complaint of two politically active big landowners, William Apperson and Dagmar

Fulton. Both feel a "study" is nothing but a first step toward condemnation of ranchers' lands for park projects.

There has already been talk of turning the Ridgeland, from Berkeley and Oakland to the San Joaquin Valley, into a national park.

But the current study, according to East Bay Regional Park District general manager Richard Trudeau, "involves far more than recreational potential as we must be concerned with agricultural protection, use of lands for cattle grazing as well as potentially usable mineral deposits."

"Please note that this study has progressed from proposed federal legislation seeking only to establish a national park in the Ridgeland, to a multi-jurisdictional study of an area important to all the governments involved."

Specifically, the proposed study is to take six months. It is planned to involve only unincorporated and non-urbanized lands from the East Bay hills' crest to the San Joaquin Valley,

some 1,100 square miles.

The area has not yet been mapped precisely.

The big planning study, which may serve as a model for other jurisdictions when complete, has been discussed for almost two years. As long ago as February, East Bay Regional Park District budgeted its \$15,000 contribution.

The study is targeted for a June 30, 1976, completion.

Local ranchers were surprised to learn ABAG had been added to the list of potential participants in the study.

One objection they have is that the study overlaps other recent or current studies of the same area. "How many studies can the taxpayers pay for?" questions Apperson, who won the last round in a long struggle to develop part of his ridgeland property as a dude ranch.

Apperson and other landowners are suspicious of any study that could lead to more laws governing how they may use their property.

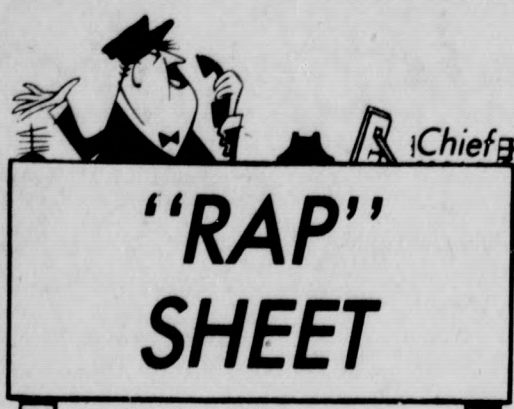
"If everybody would leave the rancher alone, everybody would have the open space they want," he declared.

Mrs. Fulton is sure environmentalist groups such as Sierra Club and park jurisdictions such as East Bay Regional Park District share socialistic leanings and that the goal of some members is to take all land out of private ownership.

Among the subjects to be analyzed in the new study are agricultural production, preserving natural habitats and scenic areas and providing increased recreational opportunities.

The 38-point study will cover agricultural capability; climate or air resources; fragility as exhibited in steep slopes and wetlands; hazard zones such as floodplains, fault and fire zones; geology; archaeology; wildlife biotic communities; unique vegetation; Mexican, Spanish and Anglo historical aspects; scenic and recreational values; soil classification; water resources; mineral deposits; existing development and zoning; and other points.

— by Pat Kennedy



Two women arrested in attempted fraud/theft

PLEASANTON — Police Thursday arrested two women on suspicion one attempted to buy groceries with a stolen credit card while the other shoplifted items from the store.

Beverly Jeanne Dela Rosa of 8172 Arroyo Drive was arrested Christmas Day after attempting to buy \$28.34 worth of items from Perry's Liquors in the Amador Shopping Center.

Dela Rosa allegedly handed clerk Mary Bates a Master Charge card which was discovered to be stolen. While Dela Rosa was at the counter, a 15-year-old girl, an acquaintance of Dela Rosa's, reportedly shoplifted \$32.62 of items in three trips from the store to the pair's car parked outside.

The girl later told police she stole the items "for Mrs. Dela Rosa because I like her."

The girl was released to her parents. Dela Rosa was also later released pending issuance of a complaint to the district attorney's office.

Livermore man cited for hit and run driving

LIVERMORE — A 24-year-old Livermore man was cited for misdemeanor hit and run driving after witnesses positively identified him as the driver of a vehicle which clipped a car parked on First Street Thursday.

Two witnesses saw a late-model Olds hit a parked car and then speed away. They relayed the license number to police who found the car a short time later.

Gary David Furgurson of 975 Murrieta reportedly told police he "might have hit something" but couldn't remember because he had been drinking. Furgurson was cited for misdemeanor hit and run driving.

Vandals damage car in hospital lot

LIVERMORE — Approximately \$250 damage was sustained Wednesday afternoon when vandals jumped on and kicked a 1975 Porsche parked in the Valley Memorial Hospital parking lot.

Charles Roscoe Powers of Penn Drive in Dublin told police he was visiting his wife in the hospital. When he took his car out of his garage the next day, he noticed the hood was severely dented and had several dents and scratches on the left door. Police have no suspects in the case.

Deputy dunks doorman during dense darkness

LIVERMORE — A Sheriff's Dept. patrol car struck and killed a horse Thursday night while driving through dense fog on Tesla Road at Buena Vista Avenue, a spokesman said Friday.

Deputy Sgt. Cliff Dias sustained minor facial cuts when his car hit a horse that suddenly bolted across the road about 10:30 p.m. Christmas night.

The spokesman said Dias was driving 25-30 m.p.h. in the 55 m.p.h. zone when he struck the equine from a nearby stable.

The \$4,300 patrol car was apparently totally demolished, the spokesman said.

Parked cars spray-painted by vandals

PLEASANTON — Vandals early Thursday sprayed red paint on four cars parked on Black Avenue, Greenwood Road and Wingate Drive, police said Friday.

Red markings, mostly unidentifiable, were sprayed on a 1969 Volkswagen, 1969 Chevrolet, a 1961 Ford pickup and a 1974 Datsun 260Z.

Police have no suspects.

— by Bill Caudle

Valley obituaries

Minnie Delmar

Minnie Delight Delmar, 72, a nine year resident of Dublin, died Tuesday in Livermore.

She was predeceased by her husband, Charles L. Delmar.

She was a retired secretary of the Del Monte Corp. and a member of the First Church of God, Oakland.

Funeral services will be held at 3 p.m., Sunday, in the chapel of Callaghan Mortuary, 3833 East Ave., Livermore. Private interment will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery.

Joseph Luce

Joseph B. Luce, 57, a four and one-half year resident of Livermore, died Wednesday in Oakland.

He was a route sales driver for the Toscana Bakery, and a member of the Independent Order of Foresters and Asbury Methodist Church of Livermore.

Survivors include his wife, Patricia, and son, William, both of Livermore. His daughter was the late Jacqueline Luce Cutting.

He also leaves his mother, Mrs. Frances Tankovich of Lockeford, Calif.; brothers William, Glen and James Luce, all of Napa; Robert Luce, Suisun; Raymond F. Luce, Acampo; Mrs. Shirley J. Alberts of Fremont; grandson Christopher Luce of Livermore, and grandchildren Mark, Susan and Paul Lovell Hayward and Kenneth and Kimberly Tollison.

Funeral services will be held at 3 p.m., Monday, in Asbury Methodist Church, 4743 East Ave., Livermore. Interment in Memory Gardens Cemetery will follow.

Contributions to the heart fund in his memory would be preferred.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of the Callaghan Mortuary, 3833 East Ave., Livermore.

Norma Moch

Norma Johanna Moch, 78, a native of Michigan and five year resident of Livermore, died Monday at her home.

She is survived by six grandchildren, Melvin and Norman Klino, both of Liver-

more; Richard and Roy Klino, both of Pleasanton; Sharon Ann Sweeney of San Jose, and William Klino of Texas.

She leaves eight additional grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

She was a member of the Livermore Senior Citizens Club.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday at 10 a.m. in the chapel of Livermore Mortuary, 3070 East Ave., with pastor Milton C. Johnson officiating. Interment in Memory Gardens Cemetery will follow.

Friends may call at the mortuary between 6 and 9 p.m., Tuesday.

Rose Serpa

LIVERMORE — Mrs. Rose Agnes Serpa, 86, a native of Livermore, died suddenly on Dec. 26, 1975. Her husband was the late Joseph S. Serpa.

Mrs. Serpa was a member of Council No. 49, S.P.R.S.I. Portuguese Lodge. She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Alice M. Ross of Van Nuys; a brother, Joseph Bettencourt of Stockton; a sister, Mrs. Frances Oliveria of Livermore, and two grandchildren, Joanne and Kathleen Ross, both of Van Nuys.

Rosary will be recited Monday evening, Dec. 29, 1975, at 8 o'clock in the chapel of Callaghan Mortuary, 3833 East Ave., Livermore. Mass of Christian Burial will be Tuesday, Dec. 30, 1975, at St. Michael's Church, Livermore. Interment will follow in St. Michael's Cemetery.

Friends may call after 7 p.m. today at the mortuary.

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Pleasanton sets plans for parks

PLEASANTON — The \$1,852,500 park capital improvements list for 1976-86 approved by park and recreation commissioners last week has many things for many parks.

A detailed list of the park and recreation facilities promised for each park was released by the park and recreation staff. It shows that Amador Valley Community Park is scheduled for a group picnic area with tables, barbecues and restrooms and a children's play area with climbers, swings, slides and tunnels, all for an estimated \$75,000.

Bicentennial Park will get landscaping, a tot lot and a small pond for \$30,000. Hansen Park will have lighting, landscaping, furniture and restrooms at an estimated \$110,000. Mission Hill Park will get a multi-use court area, landscaping, picnic area, parking, and restrooms for approximately \$167,500.

Moller Park on Foothill Road will have \$85,000 worth of grading, irrigation, turfing, pathways and landscaping. Oakhill Park will have irrigation, turfing, some landscaping, pathways and play equipment for \$30,000.

Vintage Hills Park will get grading, irrigation, and "complete development. Vintage Hills Park and Mission Hill Park both were scheduled for some initial development in the 1976-86 phase, with the bulk of improvements coming in the 1986-96 budgets. The Times incorrectly reported last week that no improvements originally

had been scheduled for the two parks.

Also in the budget for 1976-86 are \$175,000 for eight lighted tennis courts. They originally were scheduled for Mackay II Park, but commissioners said they should be relocated to another park, perhaps Youth Sports Park, because delaying construction of Mackay II can siphon off more money for Youth Sports Park. Mackay II is across the street from Youth Sports Park and the neighborhood could use the youth park, said commissioners.

Some \$910,000 worth of capital improvements are planned for Youth Sports Park in the 1976-86 budget. They include \$40,000 for a lighted softball and baseball diamond in phase II development. During phase III, also in 1976-86 the city would do grading, irrigation, turfing and landscaping of 30 acres and install permanent parking and restroom facilities. The improved area would consist of multi-purpose fields and eight Little League diamonds.

In passing its recommendation to the city council, the park and recreation commission reaffirmed earlier decisions and reductions in capital improvements proposed by the staff.

They included access and improvements to Johnson Park, \$150,000; acquisition of the McManus property for expansion of Youth Sports Park, \$12 million, and acquisition of the Orloff property for expansion of Amador Valley Community Park, \$600,000.



Her photo's a winner

Betty Liske of Dublin is one of the talented people whose photos earned top honors in the "Parklands in Pictures" competition. The Liske entry was in "Color Prints of Specific Subjects," a category that earned merit awards for Dennis K. Fisher of Livermore. Other Valley winners were James Francis and Darren Smith of Livermore and Linda Olbrycht of Pleasanton. The winning entries are on display at Coyote Hills Visitors' Center and starting in February will be exhibited throughout the two East Bay counties. Liske is congratulated here by Clyde R. Woolridge, member of the EBRPD board of directors.

Official seeks bike trail network

PLEASANTON — An automobile-bicycle collision which injured the son of a park and recreation commissioner has led to a call for action in building the city's planned bicycle trails.

Commissioner Ken Mercer called for the city staff to quit sitting on \$29,000 worth of funding for bike trails at the park and recreation commission meeting last week.

"Twenty-nine thousand dollars has been in this account for some time," said

Mercer. "If it can't be used for anything but bike trails, why is it just sitting there? There is a big demand for bike trails."

Mercer said he was concerned about the lack of a safe bicycle trail on Santa Rita Road and other areas, especially since an auto-bike collision suffered the previous Friday by the 17-year-old son of Commissioner Jerry Wilfley. According to police reports, Wilfley suffered minor injuries when he

was cycling through the intersection of Jensen Street and the frontage road which runs along Santa Rita Road.

Director of Engineering Services Don Sooby said that the council and park and recreation commission have put high priorities on bicycle trails. "All I can say is that all of our projects are high priorities," said Sooby.

The traffic and engineering staff has been talking about specific bike path plans for the at least two years. Direc-

tor of Traffic Engineering Ken Lamb told The Times yesterday. "Presently it's an item on the staff traffic committee agenda. Until we have an ordinance that clearly defines the unanswered questions, it won't get to the action stage."

The city attorney's office is not dragging its feet about drawing up an ordinance, Lamb added. "It takes several people to put it together, and the priorities haven't matched with the people," said Lamb. There are more than 40 priorities on the traffic engineering list, he added.

Asked about the "unanswered questions" which need to be defined by a city ordinance, Lamb gave an example of a case in another city where the city government may have been at fault in a bicycle-automobile collision.

The cyclist was going against traffic, but on a two-way bicycle path. The court said the cyclist was responsible for the accident, but since the cyclist was only following arrows which the city painted on its bike path, it raises the question of the city's possible liability, said Lamb.

The accident involving the Wilfley youth occurred at a tricky double intersection where a frontage road is only a few feet from heavily traveled Santa Rita Road.

— by Ron McNicoll



Grossman's do-it-yourself Livermore clinics slated

LIVERMORE — A free four-session school of do-it-yourself clinics will be held every Tuesday beginning Jan. 6, Grossman's announced Friday.

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books will be given free to all attending Grossman's clinics or visiting their stores.

Door prizes will also be given away at each session to

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WEDNESDAY — Chicken pie, mashed potatoes, cole-slaw, wholewheat roll, peanut butter cookie, milk.

THURSDAY — Tacos, fiesta rice, lettuce cup, sliced pears, cornbread, milk.

FRIDAY — Pizza with meat and cheese, chef's salad, cherry jello square, cookie, milk.

SAN RAMON

MONDAY — Cheese melt bun with bacon bits, hot buttered corn on cob, peanut butter cup with dunkin' apple wedge, orange squeeze.

TUESDAY — Hot poor boy sandwich, baked potato gems, saucy apple cup, bag'o' peanuts, one-half juicy orange wedge.

WEDNESDAY — Do-it-yourself hamburger, fixins and spreads, hot vegetable medley, peppy prune cookie, one-half juicy orange.

THURSDAY — Enchilada with meat and cheese, spanish rice, orange and apple rings, raspberry squeeze.

FRIDAY — Fish 'n fries with catsup, hot buttered french bread, crisp vegetable sticks with zesty cheese dip, puff cookie with lemon filling, one-half juicy orange.

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MONDAY — Hot dogs, tater tots, fixing salad, applesauce, milk.

TUESDAY — Chicken plaff, buttered vegetable, orange wedges, torte, peaches, milk.

WEDNESDAY — Student's choice.

THURSDAY — Pizza, buttered vegetable, tossed salad, cake, milk.

FRIDAY — Fish sticks on bun, buttered vegetable, fruit salad, milk.

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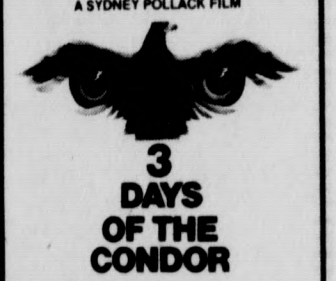
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Loneliness—one plight for many senior citizens

By REINA WHITNEY

Surrounded by pictures of her children and momentos of a past life, the senior citizen sits out her lonely life in her apartment, or home, or room waiting—waiting for a phone call, a letter, knock on the door, or just for the next day. She wiles away her time by cleaning dirt that isn't there, cooking food that won't be eaten, writing letters to people that don't answer, crocheting or knitting while watching television, television and more television.

Irene Compton of San Ramon, one of the hundreds of seniors living in our valley, has chosen not to be lonely. She loves people, and her warm, giving nature demands that she surround herself with those she loves as much as possible. A member of the Senior Californians of Dublin-San Ramon, she isn't content just to attend meetings and be entertained. She has charge of seeing to it that there are refreshments and coffee for every meeting and manages to get there early every week to help set-up the refreshments table. Lack of transportation is one of her biggest problems. The closest grocery store is a good four blocks away. She feels the feeder buses that take her into Walnut Creek or Bart are one of the greatest things that has happened for Seniors in a long time, and the threat to discontinue them would be a real tragedy. Because of the buses, she can now make medical appointments or just have a recreational outing without having to depend on others for a ride.

Irene has a special group of friends that she calls "my pals." One of them, Carrie Belenski, has moved to the senior complex at Kottinger Village in Pleasanton. Irene visits Carrie by bus periodically and would like to move to Kottinger too, but the waiting list is so long. She has been on it for almost two years.

Recently she and Carrie and her other "pals" Eva Ortiz and Mary Bliss celebrated her 79th birthday with a lunch at the Pleasanton Hotel. They also try to get together for lunch at regular intervals at each other's homes, where they spend hours comparing pictures of children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

They also compare notes on the plight of the aged. One of their numbers has trouble walking now and the frustration of a tired body when the heart remains young is tragic. They help each other by frequent phone calls, thoughtful gifts and friendly companionship.

One of the highlights of their senior club are the trips to Lake Tahoe and Reno. They spend two days, about four times a year, pulling slot machines, seeing a show and reveling in the surroundings of the milling crowds.

Sometimes they're taken to surrounding bay area attractions. Irene never misses a bus trip if she can help it. Generous to a fault, she spends most of her time shopping for gifts for her relatives or friends.

Long a widow, she has had to manage on a fixed income for many years. Mother of four children (two sons in the mid-west and two daughters in California) whom she visits at various times during the year, she prefers to live independently as long as she can.

The greatest danger facing the Senior today is not ill-health, poverty or loneliness; but the unscrupulous marauders that prey on their inability to defend themselves.

They fear, and rightly so, that their few possessions are in danger of being stolen when they are away visiting their children. They have no defense against the teenagers who snatch their purses or knock them down in the street. There have even been local instances of young boys (8 to 10 years old) on bikes who intimidate and frighten the elderly by pretending to run into them or deriding them with disrespect.

"I don't know what the world is coming to," is a favorite expression of Irene and her "pals." The grandmother, formerly a favored and exalted member of the family is put aside as a nuisance in a licentious society. Grandmother, today, is someone you visit once a year at the rest-home, or who visits you once a year if the family can spare the time. She is tolerated, not revered. She's someone that's looked at as narrow-minded and tyrannical and compassion or patience are not for her. The children see this treatment and carry through their hostility into the streets on innocent victims.

Seniors today belong to a society that "thinks young." The teenager doesn't have enough to do; so skating rinks are built and recreational activities are stepped up, while there are no funds for a senior center available. Such a furor was raised because Dublin high schoolers couldn't walk a mile and a half to school that buses were restored, but seniors can't have a bus to call their own.

The Senior Californians of Dublin-San Ramon, to which Irene Compton belongs, are working hard to write some of these injustices by writing letters, attending meetings and lobbying for more recognition for their important minority group.

By lending her voice and support she can help her fellow seniors and perhaps make others more aware of their plight.

She counts herself among the lucky ones with family and friends who care about her. But it's because she's the affectionate and caring person she is, that she, in turn, is rewarded with love and devotion.



Carrie Belenski, left, entertains her friends, Eva Ortiz and Irene Compton in her Kottinger Village Bungalow. The seniors like to get together at each other's homes periodically for afternoon visits whenever possible.

Juniors to announce mardi gras candidates

The Pleasanton Junior Women's Club will hold its annual press Conference on Monday, Jan. 5 at the Pleasanton Hotel to announce and introduce the candidates, their sponsors and coordinators for the 1976 Mardi Gras Ball.

The fifth annual ball will be held on Saturday, Feb. 28 at Castlewood Country Club. The theme will be "Le Bateau Musical."

This year's funds have been designated to benefit the Pleasanton Emergency Fund with \$1,000; the Volunteer Bureau, \$2,000; the Pleasanton Bicentennial Committee to assist in publishing a special pictorial history book, \$3,000; the Valley Memorial Hospital will receive \$2,500 to purchase a special projector and recorder for putting on slide programs for patients and the public. Any remaining money raised will go to the Pleasanton Bicentennial Horizon Committee to be put into the Bicentennial Fund for use where most needed.

Last year's queen candidates, Peggy Shoemaker, Tyny Dunkley and Portia Wade, king candidates, Walt Wood, Mike Peel and John Edmonds raised an amazing \$19,525.29 through fund raising projects. Of that amount, \$1,000 went to the Pleasanton Emergency Relief Fund; \$3,680 to Pleasanton Youth, Inc. to continue operation of its Teen Center on Black Avenue and the remaining \$14,845.29 was given to the Amador High School Auditorium Fund.

In 1974 the number of candidates was reduced from 10 to six. That year, \$11,000 was raised with \$6,000 going for a youth bus and \$5,000 to the Pleasanton Downtown Revitalization Fund.

The Valley Health Care Center received \$12,475 from 1973 benefits and Jim Ellis, a valley counselor received \$1,000.

The senior citizens benefited from the first Mardi Gras funds in 1972 with \$6,000 being raised for mini buses in the Pleasanton-Livermore area.

Following the announcement of the 1976 candidates, each candidate will be doing their best to raise funds for the recipients. Valley residents will be kept informed of the activities through the news media.



Class on aging

A class on "Healthy Aging" will be offered starting Tuesday, Jan. 6 at the Senior Citizens Center, 2466 - 8th Street, Livermore from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Dr. Fritz Schmerl, geriatric physician and former chief of geriatrics medicine at Fairmont Hospital in San Leandro will conduct the class. The class will examine human aging from a healthy

biological aging process as distinguished from untimely illnesses of old age. It will also identify some of the factors which contribute to man's premature physical decline and to the maladies of advancing years.

Enrollment will begin at 9:30 a.m. on Jan. 6. Further information may be obtained by calling 443-1150.



Dublinite for Dimes

Sherry Landrum reminds us of what the "March of Dimes" is all about, while John Moore pledges to do his best to help keep down diseases that cripple small children. Moore is chairman of the Alameda County March of Dimes board of directors. A resident of Dublin, his full-time job is head of Emergency Services in the Alameda County Sheriff's Department.

Women barbershop quartet

In this year of Bicentennial nostalgia, the Sweet Adelines, women's barbershop group, seem to come into their own. Even their meeting place in the historic Presbyterian Church in Pleasanton embraces them with a special kind of Americana. Every Tuesday evening at 7:30 their melodic arrangements can be heard by homeowners surrounding the church on Neal St.

Barbershop singing is as unique an American song form as cowboy ballads, country western or black spirituals. The term "barbershop quartet" dates from the late 1800's when this type of singing centered around community barbershops.

The Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barber Shop Quartet Singing in America, Inc. (SPEBSQRA) organized in 1938.

The forming of a similar organization for women in 1947, The Sweet Adelines, Inc., was "inevitable" says their brochure. To further quote, "Anything as nostalgic, as poignantly sweet, as romantically and historically interesting as 'barbershop'—anything as colorful and fascinating in its costuming and dramatic possibilities was certain to have potent appeal for women."

Barbershop harmony is produced by four voices, un-

accompanied. "When we go to entertain, we only have to carry our pitch-pipe," says president Diane Dyke.

The four voices are called Lead, Tenor, Baritone and Bass. The Lead or melody is sung for the most part in range between A (below middle C) and the C above middle C. Tenor is a harmony part which is sung consistently above the Lead. Bass singers should have a rich, mellow quality and be able to sing E or E flat below middle C easily. Baritone is the same range as the Lead, with the harmony part crossing the Lead notes, sometimes singing under the lead and sometimes above her.

Since the meetings are the workshops where the songs are learned and memorized, you really don't have to know how to read music.

The local Golden Hills chapter of Sweet Adelines, Inc., was formed seven and a half years ago. They presently have 25 members but would like to double that number if possible.

Mrs. Dyke says their only aim is to sing in old fashioned song fests, to entertain others, for their own enjoyment, for the enjoyment of others, for competition, for charity. Their motto is "Harmonize the World."

They invite any woman of average singing ability, with or without vocal training, to join them. Age is not a barrier. Sweet Adelines are homemakers, secretaries, school teachers, students, waitresses, nurses, lawyers, what have you, the joy of singing barbershop harmony is the bond which ties the organization together.

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LA defense tops Cards

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Reserve quarterback Ron Jaworski ran for one touchdown and threw a long bomb for another and Jack Youngblood and Bill Simpson returned intercepted passes 47 and 65 yards for touchdowns Saturday as the Los Angeles Rams whipped the St. Louis Cardinals 35-23 in their National Football League National Conference playoff opener.

The favored Rams, with their stalwart defense and injury-riddled offense, rode Lawrence McCutcheon's record-setting 202 yards rushing to the victory. They scored 28 points in the first 20 minutes of the game to lock up the victory over the explosive Cardinals.

The Rams, who won the NFC West title with a 12-2 record, advance to the conference championship Jan. 4 against the winner of Sunday's semifinal between the Dallas Cowboys and Minnesota Vikings.

Los Angeles, playing without injured No. 1 quarterback James Harris, scored first after taking the opening kickoff and advancing 79 yards in 13 plays, with Jaworski, a second-year pro from Youngstown State, circling left end for the touchdown.

Then Youngblood picked off a Jim Hart pass, and then Simpson did the same.

St. Louis scored on a three-yard run by Jim Otis, the NFC's leading rusher, capping a 60-yard drive. But Youngblood blocked Jim Bakken's extrapoint attempt, leaving the Cardinals behind 21-6.

Los Angeles snapped back on the first play after the kickoff. Jaworski found Harold Jackson behind the Cardinals' secondary for a 66-yard touchdown pass. Jackson caught the ball at the St. Louis 19 and ran in unopposed for the core that widened the margin to 28-6.

Bakken's 29-yard field goal put the halftime score at 28-9. St. Louis scored in the third period on an 11-yard pass from Hart to Mel Gray, but Los Angeles put the game away in the fourth period when Ron Jessie scooped up a fumble by McCutcheon and ran the ball two yards into the end zone for the final touchdown.

Steeler rally edges Colts

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Mel Blount's pass interception and Andy Russell's 93-yard touchdown run with a fumble recovery sparked a 21-point second-half surge that enabled the Pittsburgh Steelers to survive a rash of turnovers and defeat the Baltimore Colts 28-10 Saturday in their National Football League American Conference playoff opener.

The victory for the defending Super Bowl champions ended the "impossible dream" of the Colts, who had risen from disaster a year ago to win the AFC East title this year with a 10-4 record.

The Steelers, who won the AFC Central crown with a 12-2 mark, advanced to the conference championship game in Pittsburgh Jan. 4 against the winner of Sunday's other AC semifinal between the Cincinnati Bengals and Oakland Raiders.

Led by fullback Franco Harris with 153 yards on 27 carries, the Steelers moved the ball consistently the entire game. Yet they were stymied most of the way by three lost fumbles, two by Harris, and a pair of damaging interceptions of Terry Bradshaw passes.

Capitalizing on those turnovers, the Colts held a 10-7 lead midway in the third quarter on a 21-yard field goal by Toni Linhart.

But one series later, Blount, the league's interception leader with 12 during the regular season, grabbed a Marty Domres pass and returned it 20 yards to the Baltimore seven-yard line.

On the next play, Rocky Bleier bolted up the middle for the touchdown that put Pittsburgh ahead to stay at 14-10.

Bert Jones, the Colts' starting quarterback who missed most of the first three quarters after injuring his passing arm in the opening minutes, returned in the fourth quarter to lead a fruitless last-ditch effort.

Bradshaw, who played the second half with an injured shin, ran two yards for a touchdown that gave the Steelers a 21-10 lead with six minutes left in the game. The score climaxed a 39-yard, seven-play drive following a Baltimore punt.

Baltimore got the ball back and Jones hit Glenn Doughty with a 58-yard pass-run play to spark a march that carried to the Pittsburgh three-yard line.

But Pittsburgh linebacker Jack Ham hit Jones' arm as he set up to pass on a third-down play and the ball popped loose. Russell, playing with an injured knee, scooped up the ball at the seven and was escorted 93 yards to the end zone by a convoy of teammates. The score came with 1:47 to play.

Rookie safety Dave Brown set the tone for Pittsburgh when he fumbled the opening kickoff at midfield. But the Colts were unable to capitalize on this first Pittsburgh mistake and were forced to punt after Bill Olds was stacked up on a third-and-one plunge at the Steelers' 34-yard line.

WBA to sanction Ali-Coopman fight

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — Bill Brennan, the chairman of the World Boxing Association Championship Committee, said Saturday the WBA will definitely sanction Muhammad Ali's scheduled 15-round title defense against Jean Pierre Coopman of Belgium

scheduled for Feb. 20.

Earlier in the day, Coopman's manager, Karel de Jaeger, said in Brussels that Coopman would go through with the fight and will fly to New York Jan. 4 for a news conference with Ali. Friday,

Mat cagers win thriller

Granada toppled Lincoln of Stockton 62-57 in opening round competition of the Tracy Lions Club Basketball Invitational Friday afternoon. The Matadors and Lincoln were involved in a nip-and-tuck struggle until the last six minutes of the contest as neither team seemed to sense victory.

With 6:18 left in the game Granada pulled to a 50-46 lead on guard John Walden's lay-up. The Matadors steadily increased their margin to as much as eight points with slightly over two minutes left. The Trojans closed the margin

to 61-57 with a minute left as Granada missed two crucial free throws. However, Matador center Terry Brennan hit a free throw with 30 seconds left to put the Matadors out of reach.

The big key to the Granada effort was the outstanding performance of junior forward Joe Wujek. The 6-5 forward canned 24 points and grabbed off 16 rebounds. He sank five field goals in the last quarter to key the Matador rally.

Lincoln had led at the third-quarter break, 46-44, as Granada was unable to get a consistent attack going. The Matadors' ace guard Mike Fracisco picked up four fouls in the first quarter and eventually fouled out early in the last quarter. With Fracisco hampered by the four first-quarter fouls the Matadors had to rely on their superior board strength over a smaller Lincoln team.

Lincoln, taking advantage of several Matador turnovers, took a 31-29 lead at halftime. The Trojans' mite-sized guards, Dave Shoemaker (5-9) and Jeff Holden (5-5) stole several Matador passes and hurt Granada with their outside shooting. Shoemaker led the losers

with 11 points and Holden added 10 on five field goal attempts.

Granada held a slight 21-20 first quarter lead but the stellar play of Shoemaker and Holden eliminated the Matadors' margin in the second quarter.

— Gary Brown

Granada	21	8	15	18	62
Lincoln	20	11	15	11	57
Gran	Walden, 2-2-6; Tanasovich, 3-3-9; Campbell, 5-4-14; Wujek, 10-4-24; Brennan, 3-1-72-1-5; Berg, 2-0-4.				
Lin	Shoemaker, 5-1-11; Holden, 5-0-10; Spadafora, 4-0-8; Smith, 1-1-3; Galt Falls, 2-0-4; Robinson, 2-1-5; May, 3-0-6; Self, 3-0-6; Johnson, 2-0-4.				

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Mike Zampa, editor

49ers fire Nolan

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Dick Nolan was fired Friday as head coach of the San Francisco 49ers. The announcement was made by Louis G. Spadia, president and general manager of the National Football League club.

Nolan had served eight seasons as 49ers' head coach — longer than any previous San Francisco coach except the first one, Buck Shaw, who served nine years.

Nolan's over-all record was 54-53-5, but the 49ers were 5-9 in 1975 and 16-26 in the last three years.

Spadia said he has "a number of candidates in mind as replacements," but he mentioned no names. He said he hopes to sign a replacement for Nolan "as soon as practicable possible."

"It came as a shock," said Nolan, who was reluctant to comment when reached at his home in suburban Atherton. "It's part of this business."

I've been in the business for over 22 years, but things like this never get any easier."

Nolan said he hoped to stay in professional football in some capacity, but noted, "Sometimes it's tough for a head coach to get a job as an assistant."

He had come under criticism of fans and some of the media during the season just ended because the 49ers' uncertain quarterback situation and inability to develop a running attack from what appeared to be an abundance of young talent.

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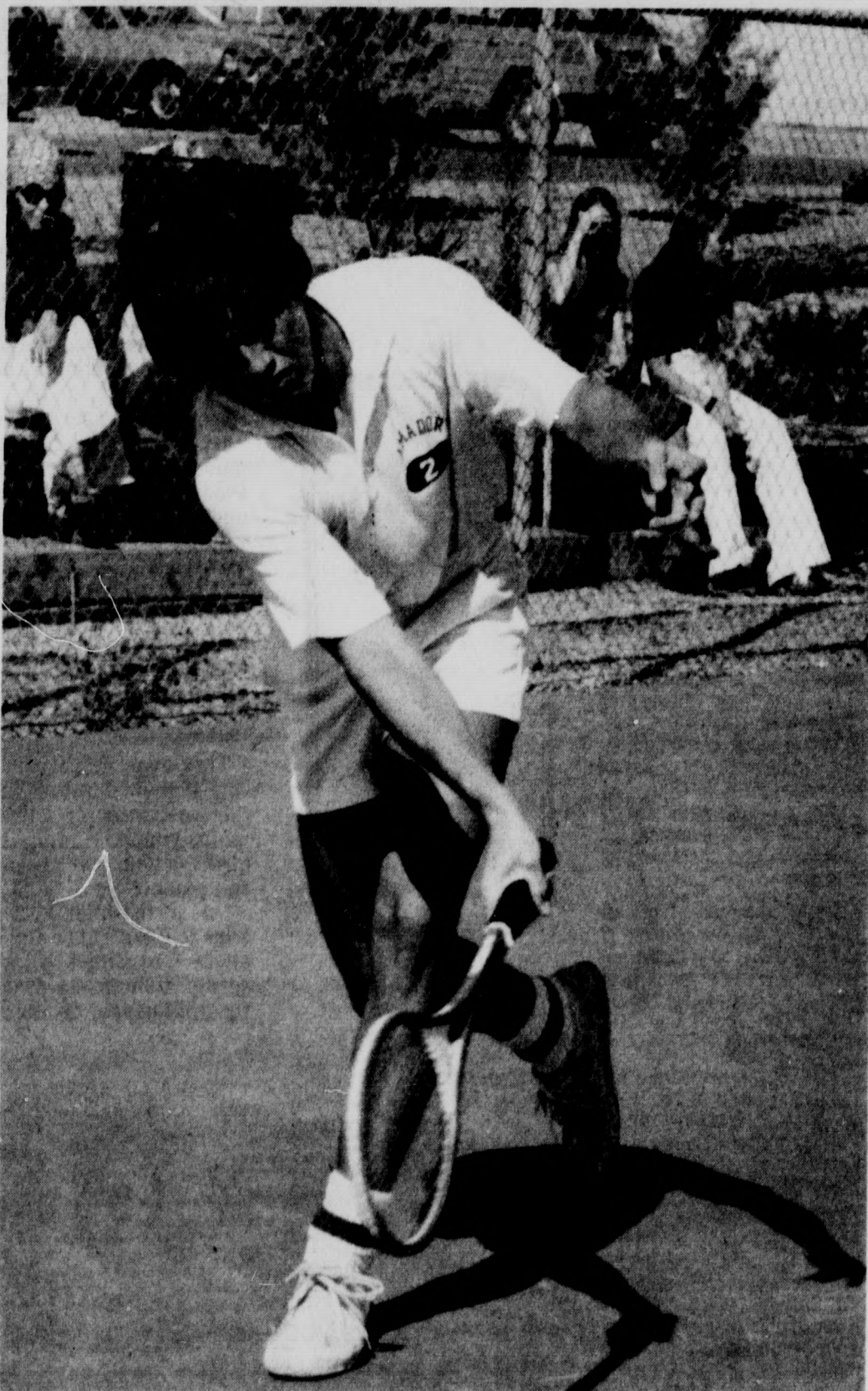
Host Livermore smashed Dublin 70-43 and Granada fell to Moreau 58-38 in first round action last night in the Cowboys' junior varsity basketball tournament.

The tournament continues tomorrow.

In other first-round competition Washington of Fremont dumped Monte Vista 65-59 and Mt. Diablo defeated Mission San Jose, 55-45.

Mike Tierney canned 17 points on seven field goals and three free throws to pace Monte Vista but Washington had three players in double figures to offset Tierney's performance.

Mt. Diablo used a balanced scoring attack to stop Mission San Jose. Two Devils scored in double figures.



RICK BURROUGHS OF AMADOR VALLEY HIGH WILL COMPETE
He and two Amador teammates challenge in the 18 and under

Third-quarter splurge gives Longhorns win

HOUSTON (AP) — Texas' stunning brother combination of Tim and Earl Campbell helped the ninth-ranked Longhorns score 24 third-quarter points en route to a 38-21 victory over 10th-ranked Colorado Saturday in the 17th annual Astro-Bluebonnet Bowl.

Colorado had built up a 21-7 halftime lead on two touchdown passes by quarterback David Williams and a one-yard run by Terry Kunz.

But the Buffaloes, who played near-flawless football in the first half, fell apart in the third quarter when they twice lost the ball deep in their own territory and had a punt blocked to set up the

Longhorns' thrilling comeback.

Texas linebacker Bill Hamilton recovered a fumble at Colorado's 34-yard line on the first play of the third quarter to set up Jimmy Walker's three-yard touchdown run seven plays later.

After being pushed back to their 25 on the next series, the Buffaloes tried to punt but Texas defensive end Tim Campbell blocked the kick, chased it into the end zone and recovered it for a touchdown.

That made it 21-19, with Colorado clinging to the lead. But Texas' gimpy-legged quarterback, Marty Atkins, passed to fullback Earl

Campbell for the two-point conversion and a 21-21 tie.

Raymond Clayborn recovered another Colorado fumble at the Buffs' 44-yard line. Six plays later, Russell Erxleben kicked a bowl-record 55-yard field goal to put the Longhorns ahead for good, 24-21.

Texas' Johnny Jones scored on a six-yard run with 3:15 left in the third quarter to complete the Longhorns' record outburst. Ivey Suber ran seven yards for a fourth-quarter insurance touchdown.

The Seattle Seahawks, the other NFL expansion team, will choose first in the veteran allocation draft.

The draft of college players will be Feb. 3-4 in New York, and the special expansion draft of NFL veterans will be Jan. 23-24 in New Orleans.

Two envelopes were tossed into a football helmet held by NFL Commissioner Pete Rozelle, who asked Hugh Culverhouse, owner of the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, and Herman Sarkowski, managing partner of the Seahawks, to draw one each.

The ceremony took place at Three Rivers Stadium before the American Conference playoff game between the Baltimore Colts and the defending Super Bowl champion Pittsburgh Steelers.

Tennis Town hosts juniors

Youngsters from all over Northern California will gather in Pleasanton Monday for the first big tennis tournament at Tennis Town.

Thirty-two kids from Oakland, Hayward, Stockton and the Tri-Valley region will compete in the Tennis Town Junior Tournament Dec. 29 and 30.

Only six of the players are entered in the girls division.

Play will begin at 8 a.m. both days and run until noon. Youngsters will play one pro set with every challenger in an age bracket. The player who wins the most games after the round robin play climaxes, will be declared a winner and awarded a trophy.

A trio of Pleasanton youngsters figure to battle for the boys' 18 and under crown, Ron Lapp, Ribk Burroughs and Bob Cannon. All three played at Amador Valley High School this past season, as the Dons captured the EBAL championship. Tom Lukehart is another top competitor in the division.

Pleasanton brothers Scott and Brian Warman will be competing in 14's and 12's respectively. Also challenging

in the 12-year old division will be Dave Reynoldson.

Among the 16 and unders will be Darin Platt and Brian Lyttle.

Stephanie Schall, 14, and 17-year old Janice Hutto will compete in the one girls bracket.

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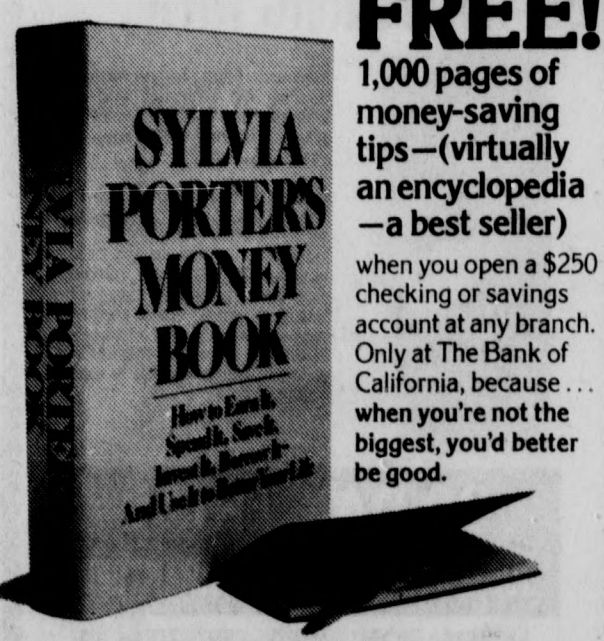
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Better Homes Realty, which has achieved extraordinary success with its all-broker oriented approach to real estate sales, expects to add 50 offices primarily in the San Francisco Bay Area during 1976.

That was the forecast of marketing director Dick Killian in a Concord address before stockholders of the parent Betham Corporation. The company was recently licensed by the state to market 300 franchises throughout California.

"Reception to the franchise program has been outstanding," Killian said. "Forward thinking brokers everywhere are acknowledging a mandate to professionalize our industry and they realize that Better Homes has the best method to achieve that goal. To illustrate how the reception is going, I will be announcing new offices soon in the counties of Marin, San Mateo, San Francisco and Solano."

Better Homes was launched in Walnut Creek in Contra Costa County 10 years ago. Reacting to the consumer movement, the company developed the concept of requiring all its associates to become brokers within a specified period of time in order to provide a higher level of expertise for public service.

Expansion plans were adopted in 1971 and by 1973 sales had shot up to \$50 million, making the company an industry leader. Sales this year will exceed \$125 million with Better Homes associates averaging \$1.5 million each. The company consistently leads all others in Contra Costa County sales. Offices were recently opened in Alameda and Santa Clara Counties.

"We are highly selective with our new offices," Killian added. "We are seeking only the most proficient people of the highest integrity. This is what makes our program work."

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Valley area BETTER HOMES offices are located at 287 Bernal, Pleasanton, 4088 East Ave., Livermore, and 7001 Village Parkway, Dublin.

Sales Spotlight



DEAN & JAMIE WAGERMAN

Dean Wagerman Earns Million Dollar Membership

Dean Wagerman of Heritage Realtors, Gallery of Homes, became a member of the Million Dollar Club recently and wanted to celebrate his new membership in a special way. He had a drawing in his 'farm' for a Christmas turkey. Shown with Dean is his daughter Jamie selecting the winner, Mr. and Mrs. Obenour of Shearwater Court in Pleasanton.

TRI-VALLEY BROKERS NAMES MAN-OF-THE-YEAR



Walt Magdefrau's outstanding sales achievements throughout 1975 have earned him the honored position as "Salesperson of the Year" at TRI-VALLEY BROKERS Pleasanton office. Walt's consistent efforts made him Salesperson of the Month several times during the past year, and he has now gained entry into TRI-VALLEY'S illustrious Million Dollar Club. Herb Singleton, office manager, is shown congratulating Walt. Herb, by the way, has reached the four million dollar level in the Million Dollar Club, and has just recently passed the state broker's examination. Congratulations to both Walt and Herb!

Also being honored at TRI-VALLEY is Carol Frenzel who has received the "Humanitarian Award" which is bestowed on the salesperson who has done the most for the betterment of the office. The winner of this annual award is chosen by the entire office staff and it is a singularly flattering achievement. Knowing Carol, it's not surprising that she was voted top "humanitarian."



Anthropos foundation has new offerings

LIVERMORE — Anthropos Foundation, the Livermore center for counseling and psychological workshops, has a whole new list of offerings for a winter of "enquiry, quests and expansion."

Classes and groups run the gamut from "How To Take Care of Yourself as a Single Parent" to an evening lecture on psychic healing.

There's a massage workshop offered by Norma Meyer, "Creative Problem Solving" weekend workshop and "Mixing," a Friday evening singles group.

For families, Anthropos offers "Pregnancy: The Reality," "Motherhood: Myth and Reality," "Growing Up with Your Kids and Liking It" and two courses in family relationships.

Personal growth may be experienced in workshops such as "Hypnotic Regression," a one-afternoon storytelling workshop and a weekend workshop for women in transition.

"Anthropos Foundation" staff members include psychologists, counselors and social workers. The foundation headquarters is at 1814 Catalina Court (off Holmes.)

Copies of the new winter brochure are now available. The answering service may be reached at 455-1814 or 443-1818.

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John B. Edmands, Editor and Publisher

Supervisor Murphy —past and future

The Bible advises us that even the good servant must give "an accounting of thy stewardship." We feel the same way about our representative for the First Supervisorial District of Alameda County.

This newspaper has found reason to support John D. Murphy in each of his many ballot tests in that large and challenging constituency. Throughout some 16 years of his servitude, a great majority of the First District's electorate has agreed with us in that endorsement.

But 1976 is a brand new challenge, and the trials that confront us in the several years ahead will have little resemblance to the hurdles we had to clear, first as agricultural hamlets struggling with a new suburban role, and later as urban centers in our own right, saddled with the burden of unchecked growth.

In the remaining portion of this decade the questions will look to our ability to survive ... the economic crunch and the property tax bind, those who struggle for "the good life" and those who wonder how we will pay for what we al-

ready have. The county and its many agencies must serve as "the municipal connection" in keeping our communities in touch with regional and federal sources.

Supervisor Murphy has the seniority and the political moxie to provide the South and East county with that kind of service. The people must be convinced that he has the will to do that job.

We would all be more convinced if Mr. Murphy took the time to give us an accounting of his servitude throughout the past several years. We need to hear his side of the battle over Apperson Ridge, the widening of I-580 through Dublin Canyon, improvements to Stanley Boulevard and a dozen other key Valley routes, and the why and the where of that wandering East County Administrative Center.

We would hope that 1976 would not get too much older, and that June election date not too much closer, before Supervisor Murphy finds the place and the time to tell this Valley's voters what has transpired in the past, and what he has in mind for our future.

Private schools

Elsewhere on this page a reader suggests that the new wave of enthusiasm within this valley toward the private school is in reality an abdication of parental responsibility to keep on top of the public education system. The writer calls it a "cop out."

We know of many good parents (and will doubtless hear from a great many others) who will reject that accusation. It is because they understand the public school, they will argue, that they now seek out an alternative program of instruction for their offspring.

Either way, the swing from public to private education just within this one valley is a significant, almost alarming movement. The Times has reported on this story in the past. We are researching it once again, and find that just in the last several months there is evidence of a dramatic upturn in the availability of private instruction for local area families.

An educator of our acquaintance returned recently from a swing through the southern states to report that "I can

understand the boom in private schools in communities where people simply refuse to have their children attend classes that are dominated by youngsters from Black, rural America. But the division in Bay Area communities is not that clear, or understandable."

We do not pretend to know all the reasons why suburban parents are willing to reject the "above average" public education offered in this valley in order to seek out alternatives that are costly, often unproved and seemingly limited.

What we can all understand, however, is that the public school system as we know it is in trouble, hammered from the right and the left, and threatened with abandonment by those who ought to be providing the solid middle balance in that struggle.

We would hope those elected to set the community's policies — and those hired to educate but who often don't live in our communities — are following this story, and at some point will ask themselves, "Why?"

A lot of us would be interested in that answer.

Parental cop out

Editor, The Times:

In regards to the front page story "Private School trend Growing" in last Sunday's paper, I feel it reflects a real cop-out on the part of these parents.

I would like to ask them when was the last time they sat in on one of their child's classes? When was the last time they talked to their child's teacher about his teaching methods or goals? When was the last time they talked to the principal about the discipline at the school on the professionalism of the particular teacher?

I know a great many teachers in our school district and feel most are dedicated and "really care" for their students. These are also those who don't belong in this profession. They won't be leaving however, until you, the parents, get involved and find out what is being, or not being, taught in the classroom. Teachers who care and are concerned,

want to work with the students and the parents but never see many of them and thus feel that they just don't care.

According to the article, all of the allegations and insinuations mentioned by the parents as reasons for moving their children were based on stories told to them by their children or heard from other parents.

All I can say to these parents is that if you had become involved in your schools ... you would have done much for your child. You would have taught him a valuable lesson by showing him your interest in his school and your desire to improve its goals and methods by your involvement what has he learned by you coping out?

Your child now only knows that when things get rough or he doesn't like what he finds in this life then he should avoid the problem and not try to change it.

Roger Manning
Pleasanton

package had been stacked neatly beside the kitchen table.

The kid was just being friendly. He could see we had forgotten something.

The presents were returned to their place beneath the tree and stayed there until Christmas. Then the confusion started. Things were sort of like one of my favorite limericks.

Suddenly without warning we argued all morning who had given what, or which and to whom.

Two days earlier the kid had shown up in the kitchen playing grandmother's little helper again.

He had taken every tag from every present and presented them proudly to her.

We don't need that kind of help. Trouble is something we can find without any overt assistance.

Wednesday evening we had a little trouble with the lady of the house.

Everybody suggested as discreetly as possible that she looked tired and should retire early.

To that she came up with the happy reply that she felt just fine and why should she miss the best party of the year.

Good thinking, I suppose, but not to a crew that knew they were scheduled to erect a teepee for a wooden Indian after she retired.

She did not leave the scene until one a.m. and it was three a.m. before we had that Indian tucked safely in his new home.

Maybe the lady felt just fine, but this old man was near a state of collapse.

I sat on the sofa to survey our something less than artistic construction job and promptly fell sound asleep. An hour and a half later I awoke cold, shivering and bewildered. I had completely forgotten my right leg has been a source of embarrassment and agony for me lately. The knee does not work properly.

The knee did not forget. It buckled after the first long step and over went Hecox.

Unfortunately, so did the Christmas tree.

"The trouble with our public schools is..."



Hindsight/Foresight Red, white & gray

1975 has been another year of swirling currents and turbulent change at all levels — local, state and national.

The brush stroke of time will doubtlessly give a cloudy gray cast to '75.

Yet for many individuals, public and private agencies and businesses, it has been a very positive and profitable year. If we were to paint our own '75 spectrum, it would be one of bright colors from January through December.

But when one looks into the public sector ... into local, state and national government and the schools ... continuing signs of apprehension or alarm pervade.

The difficult times, financially, that hovered about our cities, counties and school districts a year ago are still with us as we hurtle toward the first days of this nation's 200th anniversary year.

I believe the times reflect a sickness of the spirit.

Attitudes and opinions on basic social and economic questions have changed — and continue to.

Two stories of the past week help illustrate this.

Some of you may have noticed the Wendy Yoshimura photos on the front page of the San Francisco Chronicle several days ago.

Miss Yoshimura was in custody at Santa Rita the past couple months after being apprehended along with Patty Hearst in San Francisco's Mission District.

She was a fugitive from justice for a couple years, after allegedly being involved in various plots involving explosives against several corporations.

Miss Yoshimura has been described by some media as a terrorist with righteous intentions.

The point here is that, with the triad of pictures on Page 1 showing her crying for joy, she comes out looking and being described as

America's sweetheart of the 1970s.

I am inclined to be somewhat less sympathetic towards people of this ilk ... including the Patty Hearsts, Lynette Frommes and, yes, even the Wilbur Mills' and Daniel Ellsberg's of the world.

All have stood or will stand accused of criminal activities or, in Mills' case, highly suspect judgement.

I cannot, however, condone any Watergate-style judgement that brays one-is-guilty-and-will-be-proven-so-by-one-method-or-another ... and the facts be damned.

All of the aforementioned individuals, though, represent various styles of overt behavior that tend to undermine our institutions.

These "styles" — greed, lust and anti-social behavior (I, admittedly, consider the alleged acts of Miss Fromme, Hearst anti-social) — get commanding and continual play from the media.

Often times to the down playing of positive and penetrating commentary directed to the advancement of humanity.

But there is a crack in this dike of deception and disparagement, and it is manifesting itself in the form of "alternative" or Christian schools.

That is the other story I refer to of the past week.

While this writer is far from sold on such schools or courses of action, they are at least being pursued within the framework of democracy.

I have never considered terrorist bombings, attempts on the life of a public official or citizen, theft of government documents, or SLA-type activities as being anything but criminal.

And to glorify it is only to compound a felony.

—by AL FISCHER

Letters to the Times

College bus stop

Copy of a letter to —
Mr. John Flatley
Pleasanton

Thank you for your courtesy in forwarding me the letter that you wrote the Pleasanton Times regarding the article that appeared on Thursday, December 18. I appreciate your concern as the article did not specify that the bus stop is currently serving as a shelter for students, particularly those who are disabled. The bus stop was awarded Valley Campus as result of a grant (both state and federally funded) to be used for disabled students needing shelter from the weather. The article was not specific in detailing the origin of this grant.

The students are grateful for this gift. In the future, we hope that the shelter will pro-

vide a bus stop for students who look forward to the hopeful installation of public transportation services.

Barbara Mertes, Dean
Chabot College — Valley Campus

Top quality story

To Times' staffers — Karen Boyle and Karel Kramer:

It was a real pleasure to see the very top quality, professionally executed laser fusion technology page in the December 16th Valley Times. Both of you, and your newspaper management, deserve plaudits.

Congratulations,
Carl Haussmann
Associate Director-at-Large
Lawrence Livermore Laboratory

Merry Christmas, ladies and gentlemen. The tree is now leaning against the front window until we can find a new stand.

The old one is just like its owner. One of its knees does not work.

Otherwise things were fine.

Except, of course, for the cigarette lighter.

One of the nicest presents I received was a shining, butane powered cigarette lighter from Mike.

It worked just fine until someone told me I could adjust the height of the flame and demonstrated the operation.

Then it was either a blowtorch or would not light at all.

With all of the flicking of the striking wheel I wore out the flint. Tuesday I retired to the little lunch room at the newspaper and replaced the flint. Or at least that was my intention.

What really happened was that the flame adjustment wheel fell to the table top.

When I discovered it could not be returned to its proper place without removing the striking wheel I did that.

But the striking wheel is attached to the lighter mechanism by a long, thin bolt which extends through the top of the case. There was no way I could return it to the case upside down because it would fall off its moorings whenever I tried.

Nor could I slide the case over the wheel because of a small piece of metal which fell out each time I tried.

Within minutes I had a large pile of parts but no lighter.

Fenwick Addison Truebridge watched the entire operation with a twinkle in his eyes. When I swept the pile of parts into a film holder he leaned forward and ignited his Zippo.

"Works every time," he muttered.
"Merry Christmas," I said.
"Merry Christmas," he replied.

And, all in all it was a good one. With a few minor flaws, of course.

Round the town

It's really your own fault. And mine. We have been taking the postal service for granted for lo' these many years. Now the whole blessed system has got the shakes.

Congress couldn't wait to divest themselves of that burden. Too busy with other things, like wheat for Russia, arms for Angola. That sort of thing. Gave the postal service to a private corporation. Which made a study. "More money going out than's coming in," was the conclusion.

Answer? Raise the rates, of course. You should have been paying 13 cents by now for first class postage. At second class speed. The courts vetoed the former, doing blessed little about the latter.

As a once-upon-a-time weekly newspaper publisher who paid sums like four dollars and twenty eight cents per month to have my papers delivered all over town with next-day postal dispatch, I had a great fondness for the system. Even a guilt complex.

"Your service is worth much more than \$4.28 per month," I would inform the postmaster. He must have told somebody upstairs. So they doubled the rates, doubled 'em again, and then again. Pretty soon I was among those in line at the complaint window.

"Your rates are too high, particularly for the service you are offering," was my lament. Couldn't wait for the answer. Switched over to carrier boys, instead. Then Teeny Bopper's Lib was on my neck. Had to hire "carrier girls," too, they said. No problem. Now we got a whole bunch of both. Great kids. Good service. "Little Merchants," we call 'em. Free enterprise, and all that.

"Not good enough," the Federal Department for the Protection of Teeny Boppers informed me. Got to consider every one of those kids an employe, full hospital coverage, workman's comp, pension, the whole smear. We're still negotiating, but the nation's newspaper distribution system is hanging by a thin judicial thread, let me tell you.

Meanwhile, the postal people are getting restless, also. Closed up the whole blessed system in Canada. Simply refused to deliver the mail. Hell with rain, sleet or anything else, the Canucks asserted. They demanded pay commensurate with the Northwest Mounted Police.

I delivered mail one Christmas season. The English Bay section of Vancouver, B.C. Very high class. Also high rise. Four stories, straight up, no elevators, or hardly worth fussing about.

Loved every minute of it. Little old ladies would come to the door and invite me in for a spot of tea, chocolate cake, and a squeeze. I was cuter, in those days.

Regular mailman on that route confronted me a few days before Christmas. "All those extra treats you've been collecting from the patrons really belong to me," he asserted. Christmas bonus, he reckoned, not to be shared with part time employes.

I told him he could have the squeezes, and the promises. But the tea and chocolate sweets were long gone. They yanked me off the English Bay route and stuck me inside, sorting mail. Very dull. Missed those LOL's.

"Don't write as often these days because the stamps are so costly, and the service is so slow." That's the report from relatives near and far. But some folks are not discouraged. Like the Committee for Future Shock and the Businessman. It's a symposium ... "how changing American society impacts the private enterprise system." The committee has the answer, wants to share it with all businessmen. Price, \$100 per chair. Should send the blessed form back telling 'em to count me out. But I can't afford first class stamp for the return message.

Citizens for Reagan are likewise not discouraged. Mail is coming through at a great clip. Telling us what a wonderful guy Ronnie Babe is. The last message was a tap.

"Join the march for America. Help put Ronald Reagan in the White House!" Contributions of \$1000 would be gratefully received. \$100 would be accepted. For \$10 they don't even send back a receipt.

I remembered that a bunch of Californians spent a bundle building a house near Sacto in which to put our Ronald. He left the job just about the time the house was ready for occupancy. The new guy wants no part of the million buck manse. Lives in a third-story walkup. Grills his own cheese sandwiches.

I figure if they don't appreciate the nice new house built for 'em in California, why should we bust a gut to send one or the other all the way to the White House?

I wanted to write the Committee and tell 'em just that. But I couldn't find a stamp. Never mind. They'll probably get my message when they fail to get my check.

—by john edmands

Lighter Times

I told our Livermore city council reporter the other day I didn't think it would be legitimate to refer to the Don Miller Machine in Miller's farewell-to-city-politics story. If you do that, you have to start talking about other machines, too, and pretty soon the clash of gears begins to clatter up the news pages.

But I have had second thoughts and decided to write about the famous Don Miller machine. An accurate description of it follows.

"The Don Miller Machine ground to a halt yesterday. Chief engineer and driver Don Miller said he no longer will oil the machine which has served him so well over the years."

"Miller just may give the machine to some other worthy political candidate, he said. The old contraption is in pretty good condition, according to him, though there are a few cogs missing. One of the cogs moved to Altoona, another to Port Moresby."

"The machine, at its peak, produced 2,000 manifestoes per hour and circulated 1,500

pieces of literature per day. It also knocked on approximately 1,000 doors per week.

"The machine ran on one, five and 10 dollar bills from citizen contributors. Though not as shiny as the chrome-plated developer-driven machines, with their \$50 and \$100 bill feeds, the old Miller clunker, like the man's 10 year-old Peugeot auto, seemed to get the job done.

"The machine was relatively noiseless, although it let off steam frequently through letters to the editor and appearances at city council meetings. Except for these occasional bursts of hot air, Miller always claimed his machine was pollution-free."

"The rumor Mill says the machine won't be left to rust. Miller may crank it up next year for the big Zone 7 race."

There you have it, folks, a machine which people can understand without getting a degree in mechanical engineering. Or even in political engineering.

—by Ron McNicoll



Sound and Fury

Walt Hecox

All told it was a very Merry Christmas.

Not a perfect Christmas, of course. If you can be sure the sun will rise tomorrow you can be just as positive nothing will be quite perfect in the life of the man in this corner.

Take Christmas for instance.

Other people celebrate Christmas smoothly enough. They wrap packages, exchange gifts, eat a big dinner and sing "Joy to the World."

Not this old man.

I do all the right things one way or another but they do not always progress quite the way I had planned.

The tipoff came early in the week, though I did not recognize it as such.

All the kids came home last Saturday night, had a big dinner and decorated the tree.

The packages were wrapped and placed under the tree as tradition demands. For a while it was a pretty picture.

The only thing we did not reckon with was a two year old boy romping around the place.

Kiwi the cat has more sense than the adult humans around our house. He peeks around the corner and if he sees the kid he takes off for the high hills.

The high hills are the second story where he hides under the bed.

We didn't have the sense to hide the presents under the bed which is what should have been done.

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Television Listings

Sun., Dec. 28

7:30 A.M.
2—Hour of Power
3—It's Written
4—Camera Three
5—Movie: "Visit to a Small Planet"
10—Herald of Truth
13—Day of Discovery
44—Huck and Yogi

8:00 A.M.
3—Vegetable Soup
3—Look Up and Live
10—Kathryn Kuhlman
13—Miss Pat's Playroom
40—Rex Humbard
44—Popeye

8:30 A.M.
2—Faith for Today
13—Festival of Family Classics
5—Kid's News Conference
10—New Directions
13—Oral Roberts
44—Three Stooges

9:00 A.M.
2—Day of Discovery
3—Mayberry R.F.D.
4—Andy Griffith
5—Super Bowl Highlights
7—Sally
10—Conversation Junior
13—La Voz de la Raza
36—American Religious Townhall
40—Hour of Power
44—Little Rascals

9:30 A.M.
2—Oral Roberts
3—Movie: "Taras Bulba"
4—Petticoat Junction
5—NFL Today
7—California Countdown
13—Progreso '75
36—Public Affairs
44—Flintstones

10:00 A.M.
2—Kathryn Kuhlman
4—Community Circle
5—10—Football: Cowboys vs. Vikings
7—Family Matters
36—Yoga for Health
40—Captain's Cartoons

10:30 A.M.
2—Rex Humbard
4—Newsweek
7—Devin
13—Focus on Education
36—Left, Right and Center
44—Movie: "Comin' Round the Mountain"

11:00 A.M.
2—Forum
7—These Are the Days
13—Garner Ted Armstrong
36—Movie: "Death on the Four Posters"
40—Banana Splits

11:30 A.M.
2—It's Written
4—Viewpoint '75
7—13—Make a Wish
40—Movie: "The Lone Ranger"

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2—On the Square
3—On the Sidelines
4—Alma de Bronce
7—New Year Promise
13—Dusty's Treehouse
44—Movie: "The People Against O'Hara"

12:30 P.M.
3—Grandstand
7—Search
13—Vision On

1:00 P.M.
2—Date with Santa
3—AFC Football Play Off
5—Newspeople
7—13—Directions
10—American Life Style
36—Movie: "Peril in the Night"
40—Movie: "Go for Broke"

1:30 P.M.
2—Sinbad the Sailor
5—Medix
7—13—Issues and Answers
10—To Be Announced

2:00 P.M.
2—Movie: "The Spiral Road"
5—Face the Nation
7—Perspective
10—Movie: "Me and the Colonel"
13—State Capitol
44—Movie: "It's Always Fair Weather"

2:30 P.M.
5—Newest Show in Town
13—Urban League Presents

3:00 P.M.
5—Movie: "Territory of Others"
13—Mobile One
36—Movie: "Operation Petticoat"
40—Movie: "The Yellow Cab Man"

3:30 P.M.
7—Water World

4:00 P.M.
3—Fastest Man on Earth
5—Meet the Press
7—Last of the Wild
10—Name of the Game
13—Wild World of Animals
44—Movie: "Malaya"

4:30 P.M.
4—Ironside
7—Animal World
13—Merv Griffin

5:00 P.M.
2—Movie: "Treasure Galleons"
5—Candid Camera
3—CBS News Special
7—What Makes the Wind Blow?
40—Movie: "Diamond Head"

5:30 P.M.
3—Men of the Sea
4—7—10—News
9—Antiques

6:00 P.M.
4—Wild, Wild World Animals
5—News
7—Celebrity Sweepstakes
9—Woman
10—Eye On
13—Lawrence Welk
36—Movie: "Once Upon a Honeymoon"
44—Wild, Wild West

6:30 P.M.
3—Wild Kingdom
5—All Together Now
7—Let's Make a Deal
9—Wall Street Week
10—Face the Nation

7:00 P.M.
2—NBA Basketball
3—World of Disney
5—10—60 Minutes
7—13—Swiss Family Robinson
9—World Press
40—Movie: "The Treasure of the Sierra Madre"
44—Movie: "The Bad and the Beautiful"

7:30 P.M.
9—Evening at Symphony

8:00 P.M.
3—4—Movie: "Lost Horizon"
5—10—Cheer
7—13—Six Million Dollar Man
36—Don Kirshner's Rock Concert

9:00 P.M.
2—American Life Style
5—10—Kojak
7—13—Movie: "Buck and the Preacher"
9—Masterpiece Theatre
40—Future Shock
44—Lou Gordon

9:30 P.M.
2—Changes
36—It's Your Affair

10:00 P.M.
2—Open Line
5—10—Bronk
9—Tribes that Hide from Man
36—Movie: "The Man in the Back Seat"
40—Japan Theater

10:30 P.M.
44—Black Renaissance

11:00 P.M.
2—All the People
3—Movie: "Roman Scandals"
4—5—7—10—News
9—Black Perspective
13—Mission: Impossible
40—James Robison Presents
44—El Amancer

11:15 P.M.
3—Left, Right and Center

11:30 P.M.
4—Merv Griffin
5—News
7—Movie: "10 Rillington Place"
40—Good News

11:45 P.M.
5—Movie: "10 Rillington Place"
7—Sammy and Company

12:00 P.M.
13—News

DAYTIME

8:00 A.M.
5—10—Capt. Kangaroo
7—13—A.M. America
9—Yoga with Lillas
40—Speed Racer

8:30 A.M.
2—Romper Room
9—Mister Rogers
40—Dennis the Menace

9:00 A.M.
2—Big Valley
3—Celebrity Sweepstakes
5—Price Is Right
7—A.M. San Francisco
9—Sesame Street
10—At Nine on Ten
13—Morning Scene
40—Jack LaLanne

9:30 A.M.
3—4—Wheel of Fortune
10—Price Is Right
40—Love Lucy

10:00 A.M.
2—Movies:
Mon: "The Mouse That Roared"
Tues: "Pirates of Tortuga"
Wed: "The Bandit of Sherwood Forest"
Fri: "My Favorite Brunette"
5—Kathryn Crosby
9—Electric Company
13—Truth or Consequences
40—Movies:
Mon: "Rogue Cop"
Tues: "Gidget"
Wed: "People Against O'Hara"
Fri: "Captain Pirate"

10:30 A.M.
3—4—Hollywood Squares
5—10—Love of Life
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11:00 A.M.
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4—Somerset
5—10—Young and the Restless
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44—News Talk

11:30 A.M.
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5—10—Search for Tomorrow
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NOON
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3—4—5—10—News
5—10—Edge of Night
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Tues: "Goliath at Damascus"
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Fri: "The Battle of Kozara"
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12:30 P.M.
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5—10—As the World Turns
7—13—All My Children
9—Yoga
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44—Movies:
Mon: "It Conquered the World"
Tues: "Invasion of the Saucer Men"
Wed: "The Day the World Ended"
Fri: "Teenage Caveman"

1:00 P.M.
2—Movies:
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Tues: "The Wackiest Ship in the Army"
Fri: "And Now Miguel"
7—13—Bart's Hope
40—Movies:
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Tues: "The Cowbuck"
Wed: "The Tender Trap"
Fri: "The Flying Missile"

1:30 P.M.
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7—13—Let's Make a Deal

2:00 P.M.
3—4—Another World
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7—13—\$10,000 Pyramid
9—Masterpiece Theatre
36—Mike Douglas
44—Underdog

2:30 P.M.
2—News
36—Movies All Night

2:30 P.M.
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3:00 P.M.
2—Porky & Friends
3—Movies:
Mon: "The Defector"
Tues: "Godzilla vs. the Sea Monster"
Wed: "Fathom"
Fri: "In the Doghouse"
4—Ironside
5—Tattletales
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9—Yoga
10—Dinah
40—Mickey Mouse Club
44—Popeye

3:30 P.M.
2—Batman
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Fri: "Pinocchio in Outer Space"
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Wed: "My Girl Tisa"
Fri: "Dollars for a Fast Gun"
40—Captain's Cartoons
44—Three Stooges

4:00 P.M.
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4—Merv Griffin
5—Dealers Choice
9—Mister Rogers
10—Mike Douglas
13—Beverly Hillsbillies
40—Munsters
44—Little Rascals

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2—Gilligan's Island
5—Mike Douglas
7—Sesame Street
13—Gomer Pyle
40—Partridge Family
44—Flintstones

5:00 P.M.
2—Partridge Family
3—Bewitched
7—News
13—Adam 12
40—Mod Squad

5:30 P.M.
2—Bewitched
3—4—7—10—13—News
5—Electric Company
36—Get Smart
44—Monkees

6:00 P.M.
2—40—Star Trek
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36—Movie: "The Master Race"
44—Brady Bunch

6:30 P.M.
9—America's Concentration Camps
44—Adam 12

7:00 P.M.
2—Movie: "The Group"
4—Truth or Consequences
5—News
9—Agony and Company
10—Concentration
40—The FBI
44—Hogan's Heroes

7:30 P.M.
3—To Be Somebody
4—Special: Hypertension
5—Concentration
10—Hollywood Squares

8:00 P.M.
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9—In Performance at Wolf Trap
36—Movie: "Summer Storm"
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44—Dinah

8:30 P.M.
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9:00 P.M.
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9—Are You Listening
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3—4—Movie: "Conspiracy of Terror"
5—10—Maude
9—Woman Alive!
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10:00 P.M.
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44—Movie: "I Accuse"

11:00 P.M.
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40—Thriller

11:30 P.M.
2—Honeymooners
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7—Movie: "Swordsmen of Siena"
13—Ironside
36—Movie: "China Sky"

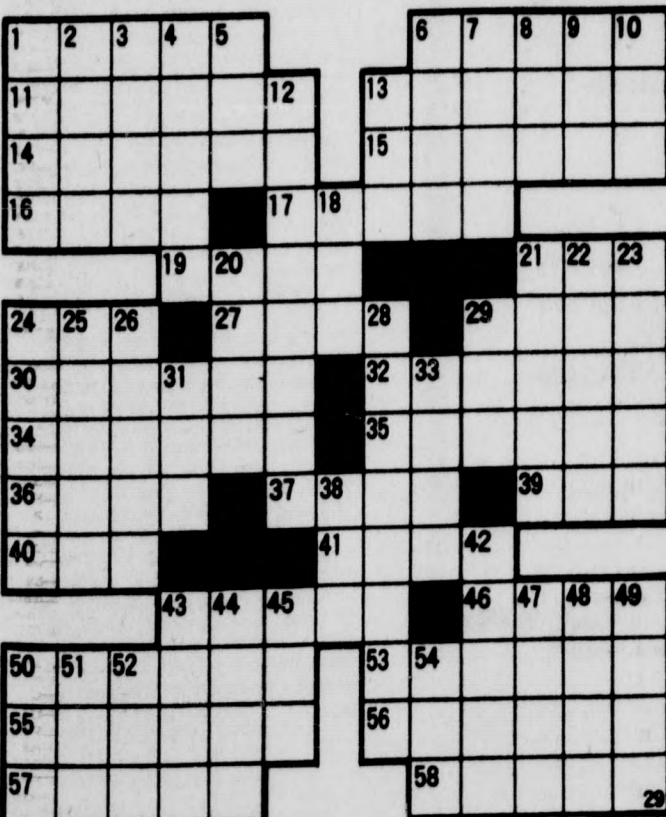
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CROSSWORD

Moslems

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13 American aborigine
14 City in Prussia
15 Forestless land tract
16 Legal claim
17 Appraises
19 Period of time
21 Crazy
24 Bad (comb. form)
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39 Drench
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58 English playwright
1 And others (2 wds., Latin)
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3 Stringed instrument
4 Light sarcasm
5 Heavenly body
6 Poker stake
7 Roman date
8 Slight drink
9 Cover up (dial.)

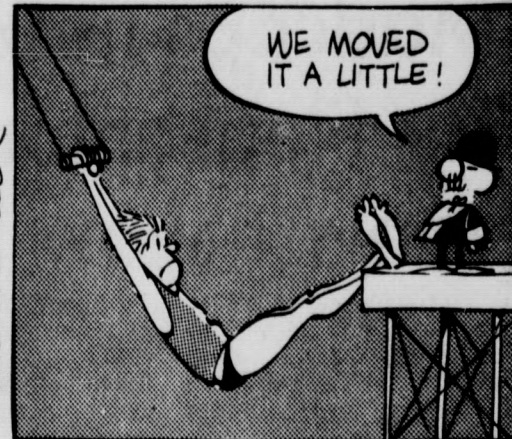
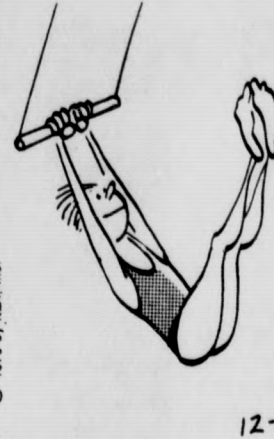
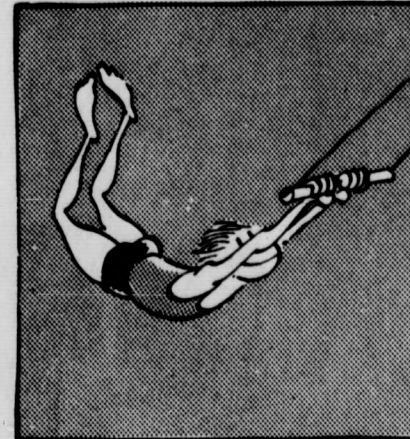


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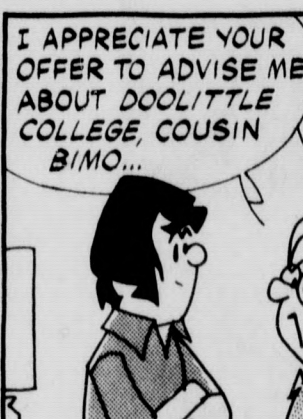
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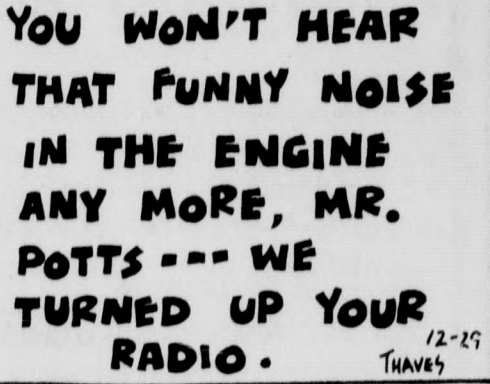
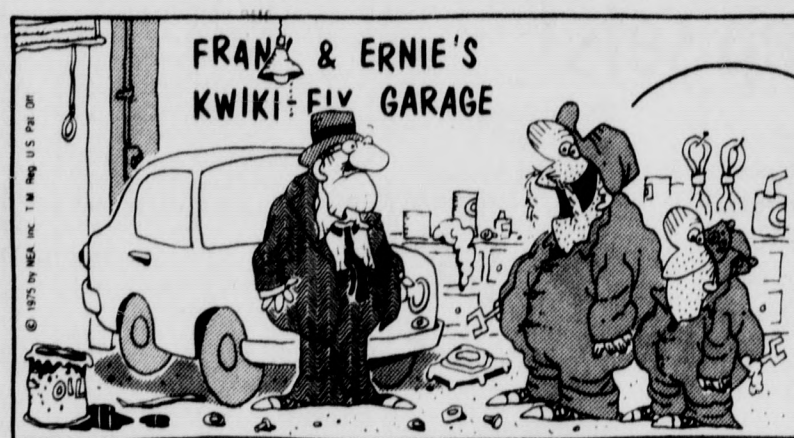
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SHORT RIBS



FRANK AND ERNEST



CARNIVAL

by Dick Turner



SIDE GLANCES

by Gill Fox



"Don was in a good mood this morning, but he'll be his old self as soon as he tangles with the Christmas bills!"

Madcaps needed for Pleasanton's zaniest show

Turn on to Pleasanton's latest and zaniest theatrical undertaking...Woody Allen's "Don't Drink The Water." Twelve "madcaps" are needed to put across the

Pleasanton Playhouse production to be directed by Cliff Beyer. Also needed are back stage assistants— scenery design, costumes, makeup, lighting.

Auditions are scheduled for Jan. 5 and 6 at 8 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial Building, Main and Bernal.

The play, to be presented March 4, and 5 at Sunol Valley Country Club, is a comedy and NOT a musical.

For more information on auditions, call Bev Hamlin at 846-1455.

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Wood craft display

WOOD CRAFT DISPLAY at Citizens Savings and Loan in office on Main Street in Pleasanton is the holiday treat for visitors to that office. The work of Michael Silver (left) the Burl Wood

pieces are manufactured here for sales throughout the United States. Admiring the intricate pieces with Silver is Jake Foster (r) manager of the Citizens S&L office

Copy machines about to go?

By JEFFREY MILLS
Associated Press Writer
WASHINGTON (AP) — Photocopying machines are about to disappear from post offices across the country despite assertions that they have been a valuable service to consumers.

The Postal Service acknowledges receiving "a heavy volume of complaints" about its decision to have the copying machines removed by Jan. 1.

"Our customers say they found the copying machines to be very useful. They don't understand the reason for the withdrawal," said John Applegate, assistant postmaster general for customer services.

The coin-operated machines enabled people to copy such things as Medicare and Social Security claims, insurance papers and tax forms before mailing the originals. The machines were especially popular with poor and elderly people, say consumer

groups opposing their removal.

Applegate said the Postal Service ordered removal of the machines at the request of two House subcommittees.

The subcommittees issued their recommendations after lobbying pressure from a trade association representing office equipment stores.

The National Office Products Association, saying the copiers in post offices were taking away some of their business, organized a campaign among its members to write congressmen on the subject.

Only after the subcommittees asked the Postal Service to have the machines removed and the Postal Service agreed, did consumers learn of the decision.

Signs went on the machines announcing they would be removed Jan. 1. Since the signs went up, the Postal Service has received about 8,000 letters complaining about the decision, Applegate said.

LEGAL NOTICES Your Right to Know

and be informed of the functions of your government are embodied in public notices. In that self-government charges all citizens to be informed; this newspaper urges every citizen to read and study these notices. We strongly advise those citizens, seeking further information, to exercise their right of access to public records and public meetings.

LEGAL NOTICE

ENDORSED
FILED
DEC 15 1975
RENE C. DAVIDSON,
County Clerk
By: Ginny Smith, Deputy
FILE NO. 14755
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
THE FOLLOWING PERSONS ARE
DOING BUSINESS AS: Christensen's,
633 Main Street, Pleasanton, California 94566.
Stanley C. Jones
and Ethel A. Jones
7221 Evan Avenue
Sebastopol, California 95472
This business is conducted by an individual.

/s/ Stanley C. Jones
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on date indicated by file stamp above.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct copy of the original on file in my office.

Dated Dec. 15, 1975
By Rene C. Davidson
County Clerk

Legal PT 1012
Publish December 21, 28, 1975; January 4, 11, 1976

NOTICE OF ELECTION

and
NOTICE TO DECLARE
CANDIDACY FOR GOVERNING
BOARD MEMBER ELECTION
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the voters of the Murray School District, Alameda County, State of California, that in accordance with the provisions of the Education Code of the State of California governing such elections, an election will be held on Tuesday, March 2, 1976, in said district for the purpose of electing one member of the governing board of said district to fill a vacancy on said board for the remainder of a term of office expiring March 31, 1977.

Forms for declaring candidacy and for the nomination of candidates for the election are available from the County Superintendent of Schools, 224 West Winton Avenue, Hayward, or the Registrar of Voters, Room G-1, 1225 Fallon Street, Oakland.

Declarations of candidacy and nomination by sponsors must be filed with the County Superintendent of Schools or the Registrar of Voters not later than the 2nd day of January, 1976.

It is hereby ordered by the County Superintendent of Schools of Alameda County, subject to the written approval of the City Council of the City of Pleasanton, at the request of the governing board of said district, that said election be consolidated with the general municipal election to be held in said City of Pleasanton on March 2, 1976, insofar as the territory in which said elections are to be held is the same, to wit, within the boundaries of said Murray School District.

Dated at Oakland, California
This 8th day of December, 1975
/s/ Rock LaFleche
Superintendent of Schools
County of Alameda
/s/ James A. Riggs
Registrar of Voters
County of Alameda

Legal PT 1004
Publish Dec. 14, 21, 28, 1975

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BY

ALAMEDA COUNTY
ZONING ADMINISTRATOR
MURRAY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, VARIANCE V-6886
UNITED INVESTORS AND WRIGHT AIR, INC., VARIANCE V-6892
V.F. WESTPHALEN, VARIANCE V-6893
ARMON L. COBBS, VARIANCE V-6894
GEREMIA BROTHERS, VARIANCE V-6896

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Alameda County Zoning Administrator will hold a PUBLIC HEARING on the following matters:

VARIANCE V-6886, APPLICATION OF MURRAY SCHOOL DISTRICT for a double-face bulletin board 64 square feet area and 13 feet in height where a maximum of 24 square feet and 6 feet in height is permitted, in an R-1-B-E (Single Family Residence, 6500 sq. ft. minimum building site area) District, located at 8151 Village Parkway, east side, at the northeast corner of the intersection with Brighton Drive, Dublin, Assessor's No. 941,190.2, as shown on a map on file with this Department.

VARIANCE V-6892, APPLICATION OF UNITED INVESTORS AND WRIGHT AIR, INC. to retain signs of 68 square feet where a maximum of 40 square feet per sign is allowed and permit a 116 square foot sign per business where a maximum of 100 square feet total is permitted, in an M-1 (Light Industrial) District, located at 6305 Dougherty Road, east side, south adjacent to the intersection with Southern Pacific Railroad, Dublin, Assessor's No. 941,550.7, as shown on a map on file with this Department.

VARIANCE V-6893, APPLICATION OF V.F. WESTPHALEN to reduce rear yard from the required 20 feet to 15 feet by construction of an addition, in an R-1-B-E (Single Family Residence, 6500 sq. ft. minimum building site area) District, located at 8653 Shamrock Place, southeast side, 300' south of the intersection with Glen Oaks, Dublin, Assessor's No. 941,186.23, as shown on a map on file with this Department.

VARIANCE V-6894, APPLICATION OF ARMON L. COBBS to retain a non-conforming sign beyond the amortization period established by the Zoning Ordinance, in an R-1-B-E (Single Family Residence, Limited Agriculture, 5 acre minimum building site area, 150' median lot width, 30' front yard) District, located at 5980 Sunol Boulevard, east side, 100' north of the intersection with Sycamore Road, Sunol, Assessor's No. 946,2607.8-1, as shown on a map on file with this Department.

VARIANCE V-6896, APPLICATION OF GEREMIA BROTHERS to locate building so as to reduce rear yard from the required 20 feet to zero and the side yard from the required 10 feet to 5 feet, in an M-1 (Light Industrial) District, located at 3862 Santa Rita Road, east side, 750' south of the intersection with Interstate 580, Pleasanton, Assessor's No. 346,1100.7, as shown on a map on file with this Department.

Said PUBLIC HEARING will be held at the hour of 1:30 p.m. on WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 7, 1976, in the County of Alameda Public Works Building, Auditorium, 399 Elmhurst Street, Hayward, California, at which time and place any and all persons, interested therein may appear and be heard.

RICHARD P. FLYNN
ZONING ADMINISTRATOR
ALAMEDA COUNTY
PLANNING DEPARTMENT
Legal PT 1016
Publish December 28, 1975

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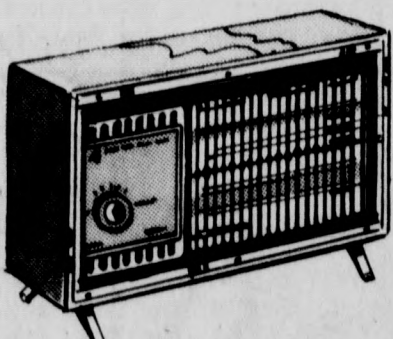
Twin size, ea. pc.

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Luggage Buys

Zippered envelope portfolios in supple vinyl. Were \$8... 4.99
American Tourister women's luggage in discontinued plum: 47.50 weekender, 24.99; \$105 extra large carrier... \$63
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Boys' pant sets, 2-pc. polo tops and pants, sizes 4-6 set... 4.99
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Capwell's Toddlers', Children's Wear

Specials for girls

Toe socks in assorted bright colors. Sizes 9-11. Were 2.69-3.75... 1.99
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WALNUT CREEK: Broadway Plaza, 935-1111 HAYWARD: 22301 Foothill Blvd., 582-1111 EL CERRITO: Fairmount-San Pablo, 526-1111
FREMONT: 2500 Mowry Ave., 792-1111 OAKLAND: 20th-Broadway, 832-1111

Now is the time for all good taxpayers to come to the aid of their returns.

Don't be deceived by the statement that the time to save on taxes is when you make out your annual income tax return. The only thing you can do then is to make sure you get every deduction to which you are entitled.

The real time to save is now — before the end of 1975. This is when the really smart people carefully calculate and make their moves to hold their taxes to an irreducible minimum.

How? In two principal ways. Control your income; maximize your deductions.

Most people whose sole source, or nearly all of their income, comes from wages and salary have little control over their income. The paychecks automatically come on payday, so long as they perform the required work.

But many people have the option of pushing income from

one year into the next, as best suits their tax advantage. This is true of professional people — doctors, dentists, lawyers, accountants and many others whose income follows after they send out statements on their fees.

If you don't want more income — and higher taxes — in 1975 delay sending out your statements. Then it will become 1976 income.

All others, who have little control over the arrival of income, will have to concentrate on deductions. This is their only opportunity to trim the tax they will pay.

For starters take an "early bird" look at your deductions already locked in for this year.

Run through your medical expenses; tax deductions (state and local income taxes, state sales tax, state gasoline tax, personal property tax,

real estate taxes); interest deductions (on a mortgage, personal loans, auto loans, finance charges on installment loans and credit card purchases); all your contributions; casualty and theft losses; finally, all those miscellaneous deductions, including union dues, dues to a professional organization, allowable child and dependent care expenses, political contributions, alimony payments, non-reimbursed work expenses.

With a preliminary total on your deductions, determine your total income for the year.

Add to the total income on your most recent paycheck stub the amount you expect to earn in what remains of 1975. Now add to that the amount of interest received and your total in dividends (less the exclusion of \$100 per person). That will represent, for most

taxpayers, their adjusted gross income.

Now take 16 per cent of that adjusted gross income figure. That is what you will be allowed as a standard deduction this year. If you are single, your maximum standard deduction is \$2,300. For marrieds, filing a joint return, it is \$2,600 this year. Marrieds, filing separately, have a \$1,300 ceiling.

Now you know what your deductions are going to be if you itemize and how much you can claim if you settle for the standard deduction.

The rest is fairly simple. If your itemized deductions are a long way from equaling your standard deduction, chances are excellent you will settle for the standard deduction this year. In this case, don't waste any more deductions. Try to hold them over to next year.

If you are close to the maximum amount of the standard deduction on your itemized list, or if you have already exceeded your maximum, now is your time to move. Every additional deduction you get until Dec. 31 will reduce your taxes.

What can you do? Many things. Do you already have an allowable medical deduction? Remember, medical expenses have to be more than three per cent of adjusted gross income before you have a deduction. If you already have enough, pay every medical and dental bill you have before the end of the year.

Move some of your contributions into this year instead of making them in 1976 to inflate your deductible contributions.

Consider making some advance payments on your deductible interest. You are permitted by IRS to pay up to 12 months in advance. Make a double, instead of a single, real estate tax payment in December.

Will you be expecting to make a final quarterly estimated payment on state and local income taxes early next year? Make it before Dec. 31 and get an additional 1975 deduction.

These are ways to maximize your deductions and get the greatest tax advantage out of them.

There are still two more important tax moves to be made by year end. Investors are concerned with one. The other centers on tax-sheltered contributions to retirement programs.

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Filming 'Rooster Cogburn'

Feisty Kate fells the Duke

By Dick Kleiner

HOLLYWOOD — (NEA) — One of this year's — any year's — most intriguing castings is that in Hal Wallis' film, "Rooster Cogburn." It co-stars John Wayne and Katharine Hepburn, which, on the surface, is something like putting Anwar Sadat and Yitzhak Rabin in a remake of "What Price Glory."

Wallis admits he approached the project with galloping trepidation, but he says it worked out fine.

"The chemistry worked," says the 76-year-old producer. "They got along very well. Neither of them is too easy to get along with, but somehow they hit it off. Actually, what happened was that he did anything she wanted him to do."

The history of "Rooster Cogburn" is interesting. It is, as you might expect, Wallis' story. He had "True Grit," the film which introduced Wayne as Cogburn and won him his only Academy Award.

Wallis says Duke Wayne was anxious to do a sequel to "True Grit," because he loved old Rooster and wanted to play the part again.

"Usually Duke wants a script finished first," Wallis says, "but this time I just had an outline. The girl's part had developed, and it was a good part, so I called Kate on a long shot. I said I have something that might appeal to you."

"I sent her the outline. She said she wasn't sure if it was enough, she couldn't tell if her part would measure up or be just what she called a 'feeder' part — feeding lines to Wayne. But I had a first draft written and she read that and then she became very enthusiastic."

"Eventually, I had to go through the final script with her, page by page, and she added ideas as we went along."

There remained the ticklish business of the two big stars meeting each other, and deciding if they wanted to work together. Wallis accomplished that Major Event in London. Kate was working there on the TV special, "Love Among the Ruins," and Duke was there shooting "Brannigan." The two had never met before.

"He was shooting a scene on Piccadilly Circus," Wallis



TOUGH GUY John Wayne fell captive to Kate Hepburn's charm, when the two were teamed up in "Rooster Cogburn."

says. "I took Kate over to meet him. She grabbed his arm. He turned around, saw who it was, gave her a big grin. Then he picked her up and twirled her around. That was that. From then on, they were friends."

All but two days of "Rooster Cogburn" was shot in the wilds of Oregon, mostly along the Rogue River. Wallis says that, on the set, everyone was waiting for the fireworks to begin, for some show of temperament from these two highly individual performers. But there never were any fireworks.

"It was a difficult location," Wallis says. "And more so for Kate. She had had an operation on her hip, in which a pin was inserted in her hip. I told her that I wouldn't make her ride, but she insisted on doing up her own riding."

"One day, she showed up on the set with a kayak. She had gone into a local sporting

goods store and bought it. She said she wanted to try it. So she got in her kayak and paddled down the river. I had a man following her, of course. She didn't need him. "And she'd go swimming, too — and the water was ice cold. Remarkable woman. I think she's 64 — but she's ageless."

Wallis says Wayne and Hepburn would go off in the woods together, to work on their scenes. He could hear them, off in the distance, reading their lines and discussing them. Then they'd come back with things worked out.

A young director, Stuart Millar, was in charge of "Rooster Cogburn." Wallis says he likes his work, but adds, "Wayne and Hepburn take care of their own direction."

For Hal Wallis, "Rooster Cogburn" is the latest in a long line of films. The problem is — for him as well as for Hollywood historians —

no one exactly knows how long that line is.

"I never kept track of the pictures I did," he says. "It is estimated at between 300 and 400. I think 300 is probably closer. At a recent retrospective at the Museum here, they showed 77."

It all began for Wallis in the early 1920s, first as a publicist, then publicity director, then studio manager at Warner Bros., then, in 1931, he started producing his own films.

He says he still gets a kick out of making movies, although he isn't making as many as he once did.

"I'm beginning to like doing nothing," he says. "For a while, I thought of giving it all up, but I couldn't be happy completely away from the business."

"Nowadays, I like to have one project going at all times. One in production, one in preparation. But I'm not going to do them in groups any more, as I used to do."

"If I like a picture project, I get totally involved in it. I love to scout for locations, for example. But I am slowing down now."

Wallis is one of those who openly admits he preferred the old days to today's Hollywood. He recalls, with pleasant nostalgia, his days at Warner Bros., when he was in charge of that studio's famous stock company of actors — Cagney, Bogart, DeHavilland, Sheridan, Davis, so many more.

"We could cast all our films from that stock company," he says. "It was a wonderful time for me — and for Hollywood."

Today, he says, the whole business is different. But he still loves it, still enjoys the creative process of taking an idea and turning it into a motion picture.

Next? "Well, at the end of 'Rooster Cogburn,'" he says, "the two characters part and she says, 'We'll meet again — someday.'"

Someday will be soon. There will be a sequel to "Rooster Cogburn," Wallis says. Both of his stars have OK'd the project, and he says he'll start filming next April.



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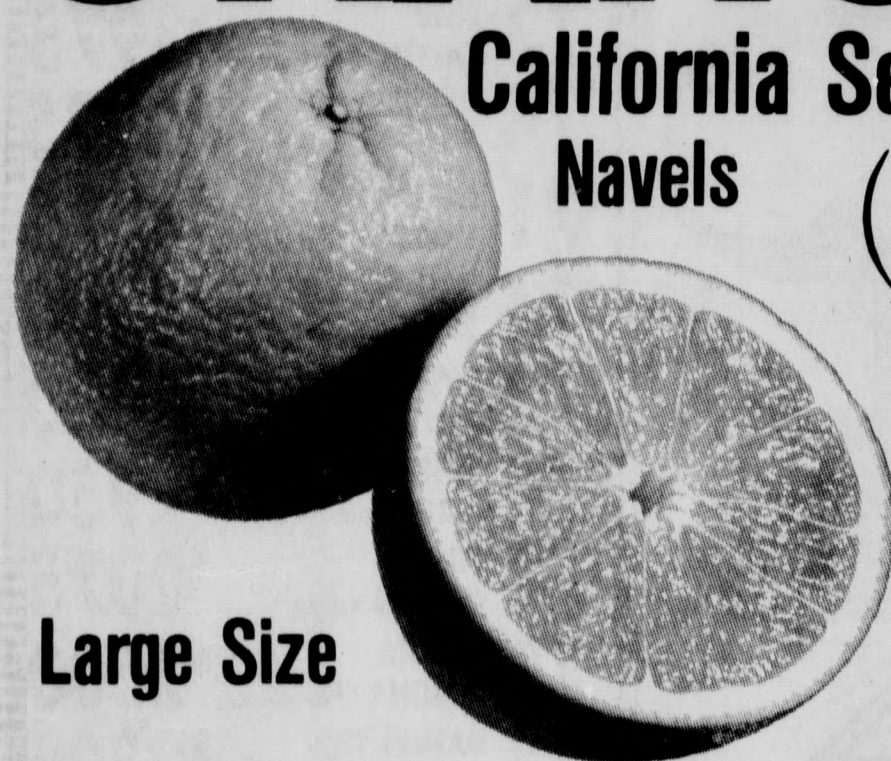
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